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TWO IMPORTANT MOVES FOR SAFEGUARDING WESTERN WORLD AGAINST AGGRESSION

Britain And United States Agree On Position Of Leased Bases

TWO IMPORTANT MOVES HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED FOR SAFEGUARDING THE WESTERN WORLD AGAINST AGGRESSION, STATES A LONDON MESSAGE.

GREAT BRITAIN and the UNITED STATES have now agreed on the position of all bases to be leased to the United States in NEWFOUNDLAND and the WEST INDIES. There are to be a series of air bases across Canada for the use of Canada and the United States.

Agreement for the use of these bases was made possible last September, and MR. CORDELL HULL, U.S. Secretary of State, stated yesterday that the position of all bases have been fixed and that American experts will be leaving shortly for London, where rent free leases for 99 years will be signed.

R.A.F. WILL HAVE HUGE RESERVE OF YOUTH

THERE HAS BEEN A RUSH IN THE CITIES AND TOWNS OF ENGLAND to form squadrons of the new air training corps, states a London message.

Each squadron of this R.A.F. prep school as it is called, will be 200 strong. London will have 86 squadrons. Lancashire 100, Glamorgan 24 and Birmingham 20.

It was stated that 700,000 boys will be eligible to join and will have equal chances to qualify for training to the R.A.F. as pilots, gunners, observers and ground staffs. The R.A.F. will thus have

an immense reserve of youth to draw from.

IN INDIA, ALSO

In India, too, a great reserve of R.A.F. men is being prepared. In other ways, too India is pushing on her war efforts. During the coming year, India will produce clothing to the value of £11,500,000.

Scientists in India are finding substitutes for things that cannot be imported. Cork is being produced from unused timber.

India has also subscribed generously to the India Defence Loan, which now totals £30,000,000.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR FORCE IN BRITAIN

The international labour force, which was promised by Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister for Labour and National Service, when he invited foreign refugees in the country to help in British labour efforts, has come into being by the fact that Belgian, French and Polish refugees are taking part in the work of demolishing and clearing up in London after the last fire raid on the city.

After Saturday's night raid on London, 100,000 Londoners have enrolled as fire workers, says a London message.

INDIAN ORDNANCE FACTORIES

NEW DELHI, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—A four score scheme for the expansion of ordnance factories to come into partial operation very soon will enable the manufacture of the most modern ammunition, including bombs and 25-pounders. Fifteen thousand technicians for the factories will be trained.

Christianity Attacked

The German Press and radio yesterday launched an attack on Christianity and what it calls the "creed for our time," says a London message.

The BRESLAU RADIO said, "We believe in the nation and the Fuehrer. We believe in you, We believe in the nobility of our people. We believe in the righteousness of our arms and our flag."

"But what about the old creed? What about the scriptures? The scriptures are dead. The creed of our time will have no fairy tale. We will have no legends. This is the age of modern weapons and armies."

The MUNICH RADIO, in the course of a form of pagan Sunday service, said, "The Reich cannot be defined by mere words. One must believe in the Reich."

FIRE ON BOARD FREIGHTER

NEW YORK, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—A fire broke out on board the freighter BLACK HERON, 4,926 tons, which contains a shipment of Red Cross supplies and aeroplanes and is en route to Britain, at Brooklyn Pier on Friday night.

The police stated that No. 3 hold, containing blankets, bandages and other Red Cross supplies was badly damaged but three bombers landed to the deck were unharmed.

RAGED FOR HOUR

They added the fire, which raged for an hour, had been caused by sparks from the welding apparatus used to fasten the bombers on the deck.

It is reported that the vessel will be ready to sail within 24 hours to Britain and a fire brigade spokesman later said that he has definitely established there has been no sabotage.

Repatriation Of Germans From Baltic

MOSCOW, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—Four thousand Germans in Soviet Lithuania and between 10,000 and 15,000 in Latvia and Estonia will be sent back to the Reich following the signature of the Repatriation Convention between the Soviet and Germany.

The economic agreement, which has been signed after negotiations lasting two months, fixes the bases for exchange of merchandise up to August 1, 1942.

The amounts involved, it is stated, greatly exceed the turnover of the first year of the previous agreement.

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Germans Already Conceding Loss Of Whole Of Libya: British Forces Operating In Tobruk Area Are Still Meeting With No Opposition

WHILE THE BRITISH IMPERIAL FORCES ARE PREPARING TO REDUCE TOBRUK, THE GERMANS ARE ALREADY CONCEDED THE LOSS OF THE WHOLE OF LIBYA, STATES A LONDON MESSAGE.

A statement from Berlin says that one must be reconciled with the fact that the entire area of Cyrenaica in Libya is now in danger. Cyrenaica includes not only Tobruk, but Benghazi and the hills behind it.

According to the Germans, the western border furnishes the best means of defence, but to reach this western border, the Italians will have to retreat 200 miles and give up Tobruk, Benghazi and Derna.

The British forces operating in the Tobruk area are still meeting with no opposition.

On Saturday, there was heavy artillery duel throughout the day. While the guns were pounding away, British planes roared overhead, searching for troop movements, but there was no evidence that Marshal Graziani is making any move to remove the garrison and it looks as if he is prepared to leave the garrison to their fate as at Bardia.

An Italian statement on the casualties states that for Dec. only 77 were killed, 307 wounded and 342 missing. The 40,000 prisoners captured at Sidi Barrani and Sollum are thus described by the Italians as the 342 missing.

CAME AS SURPRISE

The official announcement that the Italians lost 45,000 men at Bardia came as a surprise, as it was not known that they had so many men there.

In addition 430 guns, 130 tanks and several hundred transport vehicles, and large quantities of war material were taken. In all, five Italian divisions and three Black Shirts brigades have been completely destroyed since the Western Desert campaign began.

One Italian general was killed and eight captured and the Italians lost 3,500 officers.

On the Sudan-Kenya frontier, vigorous patrolling continued.

General Smuts, the South African Premier, said that the South African forces are now pin-

ning down the Italian Army at least as great as that which Gen. Wavell's forces were smashing in North Africa. The South African forces, he said, were now only waiting for any opportunity and he hoped that by the end of the

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Destruction Of Catholic Hospital In Waichow

Further particulars have now been received about the bombing of the Catholic Hospital in Waichow, as messengers were sent to report the disaster and get the supplies urgently needed for the relief of the injured.

Raids had taken place almost daily for several days, the planes flying very low and in many cases almost touching the roofs of the houses.

Though these raids have been taken place intermittently ever since the invasion of Kwangtung the Catholic Hospital has never been touched, and the result was that whenever a raid took place hundreds, and often thousands of people crowded for safety into the hospital enclosure.

There was no hindrance to their entry, the sole restriction being that, so as not to bring harm to the sick and refugees, soldiers were not allowed to go in. This was

fully understood by the Chinese soldiers and the order was fully respected.

On the 5th, shortly after 1 p.m. a raid was in progress and the usual stream of people flowed in. The Sister Superior, Rev. Mother Maria Biff went to the door, as she always did on these occasions, to calm the people and establish some kind of order, when suddenly at 1.30 a plane came directly over the hospital and dropped one

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CONGRESS WILL PASS AID BRITAIN BILL: OBJECTION TO GIVING MR. ROOSEVELT SO MANY POWERS

Yugoslavia And Bulgaria Are Impressed

Most Washington correspondents take the view that PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S BILL TO AID BRITAIN will be passed through the Congress, according to an Australian message.

Most members of Congress do not object to the Bill to give aid to Britain, but what they object to is giving the President so many powers and it is claimed that Britain will be asked to provide reasonable war security for the material.

This may not take the form of money, as it is pointed out that Britain has tin and rubber interests throughout the world.

President Roosevelt yesterday said that a certain development in the war may require action within 48 hours, which was all too short.

The likelihood of a further arrangement between Britain and the United States, by which American warships will be able to use bases in Singapore, Australia and Hongkong, has also been mentioned.

Yugoslavia and Bulgaria are reported to be deeply impressed by Mr. Roosevelt's determination to give aid to Britain and equally impressed by the Australian successes in North Africa, states another Australian message.

M. Filoff, the Bulgarian Premier had a long conversation with the British Minister at Sofia recently and was attacked for this reason by the German Press, which suppressed them when he visited Germany.

On Saturday night Senator George, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that the Bill was not specific on the security and said he believed President Roosevelt would approve the amendment, requiring "reasonable security that would not interfere with the main objective of the Bill, namely, to provide aid as quickly as possible."

At Hyde Park, where President Roosevelt is spending the weekend, his aide-de-camp described him as confident that Congress would grant him unprecedented powers proposed in the Bill, says Reuter.

BITTER FIGHT

Republican isolationists are preparing to fight a bitter, if losing, battle against aid to Britain Bill.

Many isolationists claim that President Roosevelt is extravagant and impulsive, and fear that the aid to Britain Bill might become

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SMYRNA ROCKED BY SHOCKS

ISTANBUL, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—Heavy damage was done to Smyrna on Saturday, when the city was rocked by intermittent earthquake shocks, accompanied by loud underground rumblings.

The population got panicked and fled from their homes into the fields.

No casualties are hitherto reported, although many houses collapsed.

AXIS PROPAGANDA ON INVASION QUESTION

Axis propaganda on the question of invading England has begun in both Germany and Italy.

A German commentator, broadcasting from Berlin, yesterday said, "What does not happen in a year may happen in a moment. Britain will be beaten long before American help can become effective. You know what I mean when I mention the word 'invasion.'"

The commentator went on to add that the Germans will find it easy to land in England and that the people of the United States will find they are wrong in thinking that their help will prevent this, states a London message.

High Explosive Bomb On London Subway

LONDON, JAN. 12 (REUTER).—A NUMBER OF CASUALTIES OCCURRED WHEN A HIGH EXPLOSIVE BOMB FELL ON A LONDON SUBWAY, WHERE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WERE SHELTERING.

Others in the shelter who were not hurt, helped in the rescue work.

Raiders last night attempted another big fire raid on the city of London, when thousands of incendiaries were showered down, but most of them were quickly put out by A.R.P., the Home Guard and firewatchers.

FROM NOWHERE

One fireman said that apparently from nowhere, crowds of watchers appeared. "In our street, there were at least 20 watchers for every bomb that fell and we had them out in no time. Spotters on roof frequently shouted to us and advised us where the bombs were falling, so that we had them out before they could do any damage."

The Nazi tactics were on usual lines, with showers of incendiaries and then occasional high explosive bombs.

The drone of the bombers was constantly heard overhead and British fighters were also heard chasing the enemy planes.

LITTLE ACTIVITY

There has been very little enemy air activity over this country yet.

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Thai Forces Advancing Into Cambodia

BANGKOK, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—Thai forces are advancing into Cambodia, a French Indo-China High Command communique on Saturday night reported.

Exchange of gunfire is proceeding all along the Mekong frontier. Pierce air fighting developed over the French Indo-China city, Siem-rap when it was raided by 11 Thai bombers yesterday "in retaliation" for the French bombing attempts of Saturday night.

Three French fighters were claimed to have been shot down and many aircraft destroyed or damaged on the ground. Thai planes also raided several other places.

A complete blackout was enforced last night in Bangkok and many towns and provinces.

Today's News Summary

IMPORTANT MOVES HAVE BEEN MADE FOR safeguarding the Western world against aggression. Agreement has been reached between Great Britain and the United States in sites for eight American air and naval bases to be constructed in British possessions in the Western Hemisphere.

BRITISH FORCES OPERATING IN THE TOBRUK area are still not meeting with any opposition. The Germans are already conceding the loss of the whole of Libya.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S BILL TO AID BRITAIN is expected to pass through Congress but the isolationists are going to put up a bitter, though losing, fight. A certain group object to Mr. Roosevelt being granted so many powers.

HIGH EXPLOSIVE AS WELL AS INCENDIARY BOMBS were dropped in various parts of London during Saturday night's sharp raids. Fires started by incendiary bombs were soon dealt with.

THE HOPE THAT JAPAN WOULD REALISE THAT IT was in her interest to maintain friendly relations with the British Empire, was expressed by the Australian Minister for War in a broadcast from Singapore.

THE GREEK ADVANCED NEAR ELBASAN ON SATURDAY, in spite of heavy rain, and captured another important point. A slight advance in the south is also reported.

GROWING DISAFFECTION AMONG THE POPULATION in Rumania is reported from the Balkans.

In the World of Sports

KWONG WAH REGISTER BEST WIN OF SEASON

Overwhelm Police By Seven Goals To Two

Overwhelming POLICE by seven goals to two at Boundary Street yesterday, KWONG WAH registered their best victory of the season, after leading by three clear goals at the interval.

Police were badly off form and there was no combination between attack and defence. Moss scored both goals for Police, while Pope and Blackburn distinguished themselves.

For the Chinese team, Chin Chi-fun netted three. The speedy Wong King-chung was a source of danger for Police, centring accurately and shooting from all angles. The Chinese defence was very strong.

Five minutes from the kick-off, Cheuk Shek-kam took the ball down the field and shot. Manning tried to get hold of the ball, missed it, and CHIN CHI-FUN rushed in to score.

WELL PLACED PASS
Five minutes later, another goal was obtained by CHIN who received a well placed pass from Lau Fook-tsun. Lau closed, the scoring in the first half.

Police seemed to rally in the

second half when Moss netted a beautiful goal. But the electricians again attacked and CHEUK SHEK-KAM gathered two goals shortly after. Wong King-chung then shot from a distance of more than 20 yards and netted.

POLICE: Manning; Blackburn, Chan Kwong-yu; Pope, Gough, North; Wong Man-kwai, Howlett, Lau Pak-hung, Ferrier and Moss.

KWONG WAH: Lee Kwok-kee; Chung Fai-lam, Leung Pak-wai, Yeung Chi-cheung, Chung Kim-fai, Cheung Shu-fai; Cheuk Shek-kam, Tin Yung-fat, Chin Chi-fun, Lau Fook-tsun and Wong King-chung.

R.A.S.C. WIN
In the Second Division, at Boundary Street yesterday, Police were defeated by R.A.S.C. by five clear goals.

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL:

"DIEHARDS" DEFEAT ST. JOSEPH'S BY ODD GOAL IN THREE: R.A.'s WIN

The Football League has its shortest programme on Saturday when only one match was played in the Senior Division in which MIDDLESEX defeated ST. JOSEPH'S by the odd goal in three.

The game was, on the whole, rather dull though there were moments of sparkling football when both teams were seen in some good movements. The Saints' attack, with MacDonald well looked after by Bright, lacked punch but lived up somewhat towards the end when Hussain assumed leadership.

As the result of changes in the Middlesex line-up their front line was also not as impressive as usual but their defence proved just too strong for the Saints for whom Hussain and D. Leonard defended stoutly.

Middlesex had the better of exchanges in the first half but weak finish robbed them of many opportunities of scoring. After the resumption they took the lead when Thomas cut in from the left to beat All with a good shot. Shortly after Saw increased the lead when he netted from a penalty awarded for handling against Bowen. During the closing minutes Hussain replied for the Saints.

ST. JOSEPH'S—All: Hussain, Bowen; Lau Wing-kong, D. Leonard, Maher; Cruz, Santos, McDonald, A. Leonard and Rev.

MIDDLESEX—Jackson: Freshwater, Sheehan; Parker, Bright, Wilkinson; Pearson, R. Thomas, Bullen, Saw and C. Thomas.

Results of other league matches were as follows:

SECOND DIVISION
Kwong Wah ... 3 Middlesex ... 4
Wong Tang ... 2 Mathews 2, ming, Leung Chi-lup, Jennings, Lee Yan-leung, McEachran.
30th R.A. ... 7 Navy ... 0
Round 3, Chapple, Flanders, Gullie, Guy.

THIRD DIVISION
R.A.F. ... 2 7th R.A. ... 0
Manfield 2.
12th R.A. ... 5 24th R.A. ... 1
Lane 2, Millar, McDermott 2, (own goal), Brown.

JUNIOR SHIELD (Preliminary Round)
36th R.A. ... 3 Club ... 0
Dochard, Burgess, Evans (pen.).

FOOTBALL FIXTURES

The following league matches in the Second Division, which were originally fixed for Jan. 18, have been postponed:

Kwong Wah v. Kowloon; Kit Che v. Royal Scots; Royal Engineers v. Sing Tao.

The following two matches in

the Junior Shield (first round), have been arranged:

Jan. 18—Engineers v. Kowloon (Boundary Street, 2.30) Jan. 19—Royal Scots v. Chinese Amateur Sports Club (Sookumpoo, 2.30 p.m.)

In the event of a draw at full time extra time will be played.



Tam Kwan-kon, South China's goalkeeper, clearing. — (King's Studio).

SING TAO BEAT SOUTH CHINA

CHEUNG WING-CHOI BRILLIANT

Adapting themselves better to the conditions, SING TAO scored a good win over SOUTH CHINA on the Club ground yesterday by three goals to one, and thus remain in the race for the Senior Division championship.

Displaying all-round improved form Sing Tao played one of their best games this season and, with a defence that was a shade steadier than their opponents, deserved to win.

South China played "well up" to form but there were some weak links in the defence on which Sing Tao concentrated. In the second half the champions made great efforts to draw level but Cheung Wing-choi frustrated all their attempts. To him must be given main credit for Sing Tao's victory in this vital match.

JUDICIOUS CHANGES

Sing Tao made several judicious changes which proved fruitful. Soong Ling-sing, usually pivot, played a great game at left half and had Lee Tak-kee worried all the time, though the latter sent over many well directed centres. As a pair, Hau Yung-sang and Lee Ting-sang were better than Tsang Chung-wan and Tse Kam-hung. The latter did not seem to be at all comfortable throughout but the former turned in a good performance.

In the attacking line, in which department South China were conceded to be stronger, there was very little to choose between the teams. Yeung Shiu-yick gave a better display "at outside right while Fung King-cheong, as usual, was the brain of the attack. Chow Man-chi was the best South China forward while Lee Wai-tong was too well watched to be a menace and never had a chance to shoot.

Sing Tao were the first to settle down and in the very first minute of the game Lai shot wide of the upright after receiving a pass from Yeung Shiu-yick. South China, taking up the run of play, forced a corner after Cheung had saved an awkward situation by punching out. From the resultant kick Lee Shek-yau shot over the bar.

EMPTY NET

After about ten minutes play Sing Tao opened their account when Fung King-cheong, in an empty net after Tam had partly saved a shot from Lai. This, however, was short-lived for South China equalised from a penalty awarded for an apparent tripping, LEE WAI-TONG making no mistake with the "spot" kick.

Encouraged by this South China continued to attack and nearly took the lead, but Chan Tak-fai slipped when on the point of taking a shot. Play then swung to the other end when Sing Tao again took the lead. After Lai had tested Tam twice in quick succession FUNG KING CHEONG got possession and shot into an empty net.

Undaunted South China assumed the offensive and two hard grounders from Lee Shek-yau were blocked by the defenders. During one of South China's raid Hau Yung-sang and Cheung Wing-choi were seen to have words and Mr. Aw Hoe, who was behind the goal, was later spoken to by the referee.

FAST PACE

After the breather the game resumed at the same fast pace

MUD LARKING AT K.F.C.

Canuckettes Retain Undefeated Record

BY "R.O.Y."

The Canadian Chinese girls retained their undefeated record when they overcame difficult ground conditions to commit only two errors against the Cardinals who were not at home in the mud. The Canuckettes disregarded a continuous drizzle to reproduce the consistent displays that they have produced throughout the present season.

Despite the heaviness of the water-logged ball Rene Yuen, J. Wong and Ulian Khoo drove the apple past the outfielders for home runs. Alice Ma and Dot Louie were good for triples but the greatest credit for the Maple Leafs' victory must go to Mary Louie who hurled remarkably steady ball despite the efforts of the Cardinal supporters to rattle her with their organised rooting.

PANTHERS NOT TROUBLED

The Baby Panthers were not troubled by the Chung Hwa lassies although the Chinese girls, with three hits, actually connected with one more than the winners.

The big trouble with the Chinese team came when the Chung Hwa hurler, Irene Law, issued eight free passes and unleashed two wild pitches. Hind-anasher Cheung aided with the good work when she let by eight passed balls to allow the Baby Panthers to get their amazing total on only two singles!

RESULTS

The following are the results of the games played:

LADIES

	R.	H.	E.
Canadians	14	13	2
Cardinals	1	2	10
Panthers	14	2	7
Chung Hwa	5	3	0

SECOND DIVISION

	R.	H.	E.
Cosmopolitans	12	—	—
South China	7	—	—

and play in the first ten minutes or so was mostly confined to mid field. After Ip Pak-wah had, balanced over the bar a pass from Yeung Shiu-yick, South China took up the attack and pinned Sing Tao to their half of the field for the next five minutes. On many occasions they looked like drawing level but Cheung Wing-choi, by fine anticipation, and daring, brought off brilliant saves one after another and thwarted all attempts to penetrate his citadel.

In one instance, Cheung dived at the feet of Chan to effect a wonderful save which would have meant an almost certain goal. In one of the breakaways by Sing Tao, the ball was sent out to the left to YEUNG SHEP-YICK who beat Tam after a solo effort to put the issue beyond doubt. The closing minutes found South China still fighting but, with Sing Tao's defence rising to the occasion, were forced to admit defeat.

SING TAO: Cheung Wing-choi; Hau Yung-sang, Lee Tin-sang; Tsui Ah-fai, Leung Wing-chiu, Soong Ling-sing; Yeung Shiu-yick, Fung King-cheong, Lai Shiu-wing, Kwok Ying-ki and Ip Pak-wah.

SOUTH CHINA: Tam Kwan-kon; Tsang Chung-wan, Tse Kam-hung; Lau Hing-choi, Lam Tak-po, Lau Chung-sang; Lee Tak-kee, Chow Man-chi, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong and Lee Shek-yau.

KIT CHEE WIN

Kit Chee surprised Sing Tao in the preliminary round of the Junior Shield yesterday on the Club ground, winning by four clear goals after leading by a goal at the interval.

The exchanges in the first half were quite even and FOK YIU-WAH opened the account. After the interval K. Chee piled on pressure and three further goals through CHEONG KAN-CHUEN (2) and CHEUNG CHING-KAM.

Macao Jockey Club Meet

HANDICAP WEIGHTS

The following are the handicap weights for the January Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club to be held at Arela Preta, Macao, on Jan. 19:—

Race 1—"The Yunnan Handicap" (1st Section)

Ascot Vale 159, Oekko 145, Desert Star 148, Geordie 135, Heddon 140, Lancashire Chap 151, National Success 146, Radium Star 155.

Race 2—"The Szechuen Handicap" (2nd Section)

Gallant Marshal 154, King's Envoy 147, Lucky Eleven 155, Mac's Adventure 145, National Liberty 159, Persian Cat 142, Plain View 146, Sports Venture 145, Sunshine Susie 141.

Race 3—"The Szechuen Handicap" (3rd Section)

Black Diamond 159, Cloudy Star 135, Cuban Love 159, Double Up 135, Eagle 155, Iron Knight 140, National Anthem 155, National Triumph 147, The Mermaid 158, Wild Bear 150.

Race 4—"The Yunnan Handicap" (2nd Section)

Phoenix 153, Royal Highness 150, The Leopard 153, The Tigress 135, Talkative 140.

Race 5—"The Chung Hwa Handicap" (2nd Section)

Country Flower 140, Courreur Bleu 140, Fairy Auk 152, Fairy Ousel 152, Hogmanay 140, Hohenfels 140, Meadow Eve 155, Merry Fatty 140, Merry Maker 140, Rothessay Bay 140, Shanghai 4.152, Shih Yin Grand 140, Victory Life 155, Wood Nymph 140.

RECREIO BEAT GUNBOATS 3-1

Police Teams Draw Goalless Game

All but two matches in the Hockey Association Tournament were rained out yesterday, though one of these produced a minor upset. Police "B" drew with Police "A" at Boundary Street and Recreio beat Gunboats 3-1 at King's Park.

The game at Boundary Street was a very even one and both teams turned out at full strength. The game was fairly even though Police "A" pressed from the start and had a little the better of the first 15 minutes of play.

They pressed again toward the end but found Balwant Singh the "B" goal keeper in great form and were not able to score. (The game was played in the rain and there were a number of spills, some of the players finding it hard to keep their footing.)

POINTS FOR RECREIO

Recreio were held to a fairly even game in the first half of their match against Gunboats, each side scoring once through F. X. Sequelra and Gemmell. In the second half Recreio went ahead and scored further through G. Gosano and B. Gosano.

LEAGUE TABLE

The following is the League table to date:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Police "A"	7	6	1	0	29	4	13
Recreio	6	6	0	0	24	3	12
Khalsa	7	6	0	1	23	5	12
R. Signals	9	5	0	4	19	10	10
Police "B"	6	4	1	1	13	9	9
R. Engineers	6	4	0	2	20	12	8
5th A.A. "A"	6	4	0	2	15	12	8
C.B.A.	7	4	0	3	19	9	8
Nomads	6	3	0	3	9	17	6
A. N. Others	9	3	0	6	20	18	6
Punjab	4	2	0	2	7	6	4
5th A.A. "B"	7	2	0	5	10	20	4
Gunboats	8	2	0	6	10	22	4
2nd M.T.B.'s	5	1	0	4	4	17	2
University	8	1	0	7	5	34	2
Destroyers	6	0	0	6	1	21	0

GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—

The Liverpool race-course executives announced yesterday that the Grand National Steeplechase will not be run there this year, on grounds of public safety and the transport question.

A substitute Grand National will be run, probably at Cheltenham.

UNIVERSITY, K.C.C. WIN FIRST MATCHES OF CRICKET LEAGUE

THE OPENING MATCHES OF THE SENIOR CRICKET LEAGUE WERE PLAYED ON SATURDAY, WITH UNIVERSITY, a very unsuccessful side last year, beating INDIAN RECREATION CLUB by three wickets, and KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB recording a win by seven wickets over CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

The Junior Division saw both RECREIO and CRAIGENGOWER advance their standing in the table at the expense of POLICE RECREATION CLUB and INDIAN RECREATION CLUB respectively, and KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB unfortunately sharing points with UNIVERSITY.

With Baxter undefeated at 103 and Madar at 104, K.C.C. juniors were 211 up for the loss of no wickets, but University managed to hold on till stumps were drawn and had two wickets in hand for 108 runs on the board.

At Pokfulam, University beat Indian Recreation Club by three wickets. INDIAN R.C. 154 for 5 wks. dec. (A. E. Kitchell 45, A. H. Madar 39 not out, W. S. Gegg 4 for 51), UNIVERSITY 166 for 7 wks. (L. T. Ride 66 not out).

C.C.C. DEFEATED
At the Valley, Kowloon Cricket Club beat Craigengower Cricket Club by seven wickets. C.C.C. 125 (A. J. Hulse 58 not out, F. R. Zimmerman 4 for 21, N. D. Lloyd 5 for 32), K.C.C. 127 for 4 wks. (D. J. N. Anderson 41, E. F. Fincher 47).

"A" CLASS

Yacht Finished Pos.
Artemis 16.04.40 1
(Mr. G. G. Wood)
La Limca 16.05.47 2
(Mr. C. C. Blake)
Maureen 16.06.24 3
(Mr. D. Humphreys)
Joss 16.06.44 4
(Major G. E. Neve)
Petrel 16.08.25 5
(Mr. C. F. Hyde)
Gull 16.09.23 6
(Major A. O. G. Mills)
Koala 16.09.58 7
(Mrs. M. Johnson)
Gull 16.10.06 8
(Mr. S. K. Heiberg)
Tyronne Chai 16.10.45 9
(Mr. B. Herschend)
Redshank 16.11.52 10
(Mr. L. Onsgstad)
Painted Lady 16.13.36 11
(Lt.-Com. W. W. L. Harrison)

JUNIOR LEAGUE

TWO CENTURIES

At Cox's Path, University juniors drew with Kowloon Cricket Club juniors. K.C.C. 211 for 0 wks. (K. M. Baxter 103 not out, T. A. Madar 104 not out), UNIVERSITY 111 for 8 wks. (R. S. Fenton 5 for 35).

RECREIO'S BIG WIN

At the Valley, Club de Recreio juniors beat Police Recreation Club by 105 runs. RECREIO 185 for 8 wks. dec. (P. M. da Silva 32, F. J. Remedios 50 not out, A. E. Carey 5 for 49), POLICE R.C. 60 (P. M. N. da Silva 8 for 23).

C.C.C. UP

At Sookumpoo, Craigengower Cricket Club juniors beat Indian Recreation Club juniors by three wickets. I.R.C. 150 (A. M. Omar 5 for 33, U. H. Esmail 3 for 19), C.C.C. 159 for 7 wks.

SENIOR FRIENDLIES

ARMY BEAT C.S.C.C.
At Sookumpoo, Army beat Civil Service Cricket Club by seven wks. C.S.C.C. 34 (L. A. C. Hawkins 5 for 13), ARMY 64 for 9 wks. (G. Stone 3 for 15, W. Colledge 3 for 0).

H.K.C.C. BOW TO R.S.

At Chater Road, Royal Scots beat Hongkong Cricket Club "A" by seven wickets. H.K.C.C. "A" 150 for 8 wks. dec. (A. E. Perry 48, C. W. E. Bishop 55 not out, Batesman 6 for 41), ROYAL SCOTS 150 for 3 wks. (Douglass 45, Coombes 109 not out).

VOLUNTEERS BEAT NAVY IN FRIENDLY RUGBY ENCOUNTER

Navy were beaten by three tries (9 pts.) to a goal (5 pts.) by Volunteers in a friendly rugby encounter at Boundary Street on Saturday.

The Navy side was a much weaker one than that which managed to go unbeaten through the Quadrangular Tournament and Volunteers had somewhat the better of the exchanges.

Bosanquet, Thomson and Walkelen scored for Volunteers, and Honeywell's try for Navy was converted by Watson.

The teams were:—
VOLUNTEERS:—Thompson; Bosanquet, Day, Morgan and Stewart; Charter and Thomson; Walkelen, Burford, Macrae; Gairdner, Kennedy; Godfrey, Taylor and Stout.

NAVY:—Morahan; McGill, Kennedy, Wilson and Bowden; Honeywell and Rutherford; Winter, Watson, Palmer; Stockham, Hendy, Hughes, Eager and Flynn.

CLUB-ARMY TEAM BEATEN

In another match played at Boundary Street, Police beat a

SPORTING FIXTURES

TODAY
Badminton—"A" Division: University "A" v. University "B". Chinese v. Y. v. Recreio.

TOMORROW
Billiards.—Y.M.C.A. Billiards Match Night, 7-11 p.m.

SWIMMING.—Mixed Swimming. 6-8 p.m.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18
Badminton—"B" Division: J. F. C. v. Chung Wah; Recreio v. V. R. C.; Kowloon v. St. Andrew's; St. Andrew's v. K.C.C.

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COMING EVENTS

JAN.

13—Tides: High 10.11 a.m. and 8.37 p.m. Low 3.41 a.m. and 2.29 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset: 5.59 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.; Women's War Work, 9 a.m.—12 noon; Swimming and Tennis.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
14—Tides: High 10.44 a.m. and 9.39 p.m. Low 4.17 a.m. and 3.12 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset: 5.59 p.m.
Claims against estate of Roger Edward Lindell due.
H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.
Y.M.C.A. Mixed Swimming; Billiards Match Night; Badminton.
Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
Criminal Sessions Open, 2.30 p.m.
15—Tides: High 11.20 a.m. and 10.23 p.m. Low 4.56 a.m. and 3.54 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset: 5.59 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Chinese Estates, Ltd., Fourth Interim Dividend Payable.
Y.M.C.A. Women's War Work, 9 a.m.—12 noon; Chess and Draughts Night; Swimming.
H.E. the Acting Governor to visit H.K. and Whampoa Dockyard, 4 p.m.
Cheero Club Dance, 8.30 p.m.
16—Tides: High 11.58 a.m. and 11.07 p.m. Low 5.32 a.m. and 4.37 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset: 5.59 p.m.
H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. K. S. Lee on "How Gen. Chiang Kai-shek Became a Christian."
Auxiliary Nursing Service: Lectures on Home Nursing commence at Kowloon Hospital, 5.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Squash; Hockey; Swimming.
Cheero Club: Bridge and Mahjong.
17—Tides: High 12.37 p.m. and 11.58 p.m. Low 6.11 a.m. and 5.26 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.06 a.m.; Sunset: 6.01 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Farewell Reception to Miss S. F. Sutton, 1.57, The Peak, 4.30 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Mixed Swimming; Badminton.
Cheero Club: Darts and Table-Tennis.
18—Tides: High 1.24 p.m. Low 6.48 a.m. and 6.21 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.02 p.m.
H.E. the Acting Governor to Broadcast on Colonial Centenary, 8.03 p.m.
19—Tides: High 12.49 a.m. and 12.12 p.m. Low 7.27 a.m. and 7.29 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.03 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Discussion Group, 9 p.m.
Macao Jockey Club, January Meeting.
Gold: Junior Championship—First Round.
20—Tides: High 1.54 a.m. and 3.03 p.m. Low 8.11 a.m. and 9.11 p.m.
Sunrise: 7.05 a.m.; Sunset: 6.03 p.m.
Y.M.C.A.: Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.
Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.

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12.40 Gino Bordin and His Hawaiian.

Hawaiian Berceuse (Bordin); Tears of Love (Gypsy Song—Bordin); Hawaii March (Bordin); Charm of Hawaii (Bordin)—Guitar Solo by Gino Bordin. Delilah—Waltz (Nicholls); Poeme—Waltz (Fibich).

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Bizet—Symphony No. 1 in C Major.

1st Mov: Allegro vivo; 2nd Mov: Adagio; 3rd Mov: Allegro vivace; 4th Mov: Allegro vivace—London Philharmonic Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Elsie and Doris Waters in Variety.

Comedienne—London Pride: Cockneys at Heart and Proud of it, too—Elsie and Doris Waters with Orchestra. Vocal—Over on the Sunny Side (Nicholls and Others); Masquerading in the Name of Love (Hoffman-Goodhart)—Hugh Morton (Baritone) with Orchestra. Comedienne—Gert, Daisy, A Piano and how!—Elsie and Doris Waters. Vocal—Nothing's Blue But the Sky (Newman-Spina); I'll Bet You Tell That To All The Boys (Tobias-Steph)—Len Berman with Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.32 New Dance Music.

You (film)—I've Got My Eyes on You (film). "Broadway Melody of 1940"; I Concentrate on You (film). "Broadway Melody of 1940"—Les Brown and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—'I'll Never Fall for You; Waltz—Lilac of Louvain—Jack White and His Band. Fox-Trots—No Souvenirs; Don't Make Me Laugh—Jack White and His Band. Waltz—'I'll Be Waiting for You; Fox-Trot—Shake Down the Stars—Oscar Rabin and His Band; Waltz—Memories Live Longer than Dreams—Oscar Rabin and His Band.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

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6 Biblical name

9 Goddess of the harvest

12 Low-growing pine

13 Devilish

15 Stimulate

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17 Land measure

18 Negative

19 Carry on

21 Average

22 Boll slowly

24 Member of a European race

26 Symbol for tellurium

27 Fragment

29 Member of a military engineer unit

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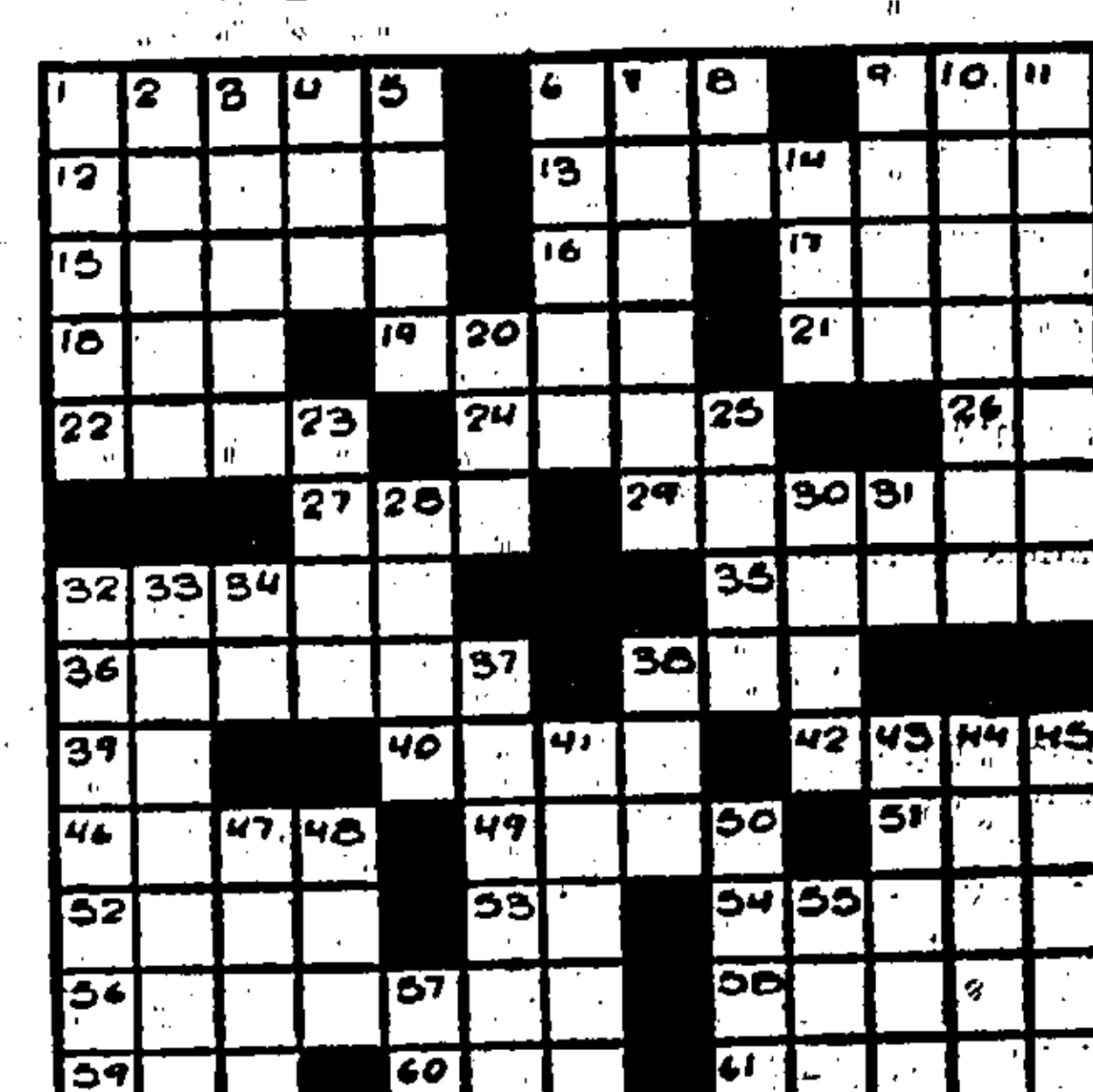
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- 61 Italian household dainties
- DOWN
- 1 Begins
- 2 Guide
- 3 Growing out
- 4 Decay
- 5 Again
- 6 Long-continued practice
- 7 Honey-badgers
- 8 Pronoun
- 9 At one time
- 10 Robbers on the high seas
- 11 Landscape
- 14 Old Dutch liquid measure
- 20 Perform
- 23 Interlaced
- 25 Narrow woven band
- 28 Depend on
- 30 Wine
- 31 Hebrew letter
- 32 Work
- 33 Layer of tissue in a horse's hoof
- 34 Within
- 37 Containing salt
- 38 Dry; Said of wine
- 41 Not fastened
- 43 Dinner
- 44 Range in a row
- 45 Tumults
- 47 Eating implement
- 48 Make lace
- 50 Precious stone
- 55 Turkish commander
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M-G-M Picture : "BRIDAL SUITE"

WU TSE-TIEN AND BUDDHISM

Scholarly Lecture By Prof. Tschen Yin-koh

There was a large gathering at the Fung Ping Shan Library of the Hongkong University last Friday, when, at a meeting of the Sino-British Cultural Association, Prof. Tschen Yin-koh, Professor of Medieval Chinese History of the Tsing Hua University and Visiting Professor at the University of Hongkong, gave a lecture on "Wu Tse-tien and Buddhism."

Prof. Hsu Ti-shan presided, and among those present were Prof. L. Forster, Prof. Gordon King, Mr. S. L. Yen, Mr. Wei Tat, Mr. N. H. France, Mr. S. Balfour, Dr. F. I. Tseung, Miss Sin Yuk-ching, Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. T. K. Chuan.

In the course of his lecture, Prof. Tschen said that his object was to attempt an explanation of the relations between the Empress and Buddhism, which in turn resolved itself on these two points, namely, the influence Empress Wu received from the religious faith of her family on her mother's side, and, secondly, the special privileged position she enjoyed as an imperial consort and again as the political head of the country.

"Of the royal families of the period known as the Northern and Southern Dynasties," the Professor continued, "the Siao of Liang in the south and the Yang of Sui in the North are the only houses that had the closest relation with the Buddhist religion. At the beginning of Tang, these two clans were both descendants of an overthrown dynasty. Though they had lost most, if not all, of their political influence, yet their religious faith, which they had inherited from generations past, was continued just as in the days of Liang and Sui without any swerve or diminished ardour, in spite of their political setback."

GAIN UPPER HAND

"Buddhism was suppressed by the Emperor Wu Ti of Northern Chou, and it was only revived by Emperor Wen Ti of Sui after he had overthrown the former house. As Tang succeeded Sui, it was natural that Taoist priests should gain the upper hand, by virtue of the fact that Lao-tzu was of the same surname as the dynasty house. But Emperor Tang Tai-tsung was a shrewd monarch and he seemed also to believe in the Buddhist teachings. After the overthrow of Sui, it was natural for the followers of Buddhism to try their best to regain their lost positions."

The lectures pointed out that just as in the case of the descendants from the royal of Liang, the descendants of the royal house of Sui too inherited the religious belief of their ancestors, and as Empress Wu Tse-tien's mother, Lady Yung-kuo, was a direct descendant of the royal house of Sui, it would not be surprising to find her a devotee to Buddhism. He also showed that Lady Yung-kuo had great influence in the imperial court with her daughter, the female Emperor.

After proving that it was through the influence of the tradi-

tional religious beliefs of the royal family of Empress Wu Tse-tien that the Buddhists were able to recover their power and position lost since the founding of the Tang Dynasty, the Professor continued: As Wu Tse-tien assumed the role of an emperor in spite of her being a female, she was giving rise to an unprecedented and entirely new phase of political development in Chinese history.

CONFUCIAN CREED

If she wished to justify her special position, she knew that such justification could not be found from the Confucian creed and canons. This being so, it follows that when she came to change the dynasty of Tang into Chou, she could not but have recourse to the Buddhist prophecies found in the Buddhist sutras for a pretext of her political actions. It should be pointed out here that, according to the original teachings of Buddha, the female "was, in fact, much looked down upon."

In course of time, this idea, however, changed, and in the later stages of development of the religion, we even find in the scriptures of the Mahayana School theories according to which predestination may be conferred upon the female to become a cakravarti and finally a Buddha. This is, indeed, a very extraordinary doctrine. The so-called Mahamegha Sutra, or Tse-yun-ching, which Empress Wu Tse-tien caused to be published and distributed all over her empire in order to substantiate the prophecy of her "divine mission," is one of the sutras belonging to the Mahayana School. But the fact remains that the original of this sutra was from India and not a sham production of China.

MAIN CAUSE

In conclusion, Prof. Tschen said, "The fact that Buddhism after being superseded by Taoism at the beginning of the Tang Dynasty, was able, at the time of Wu Tse-tien, to restore all its former influence was indeed due to a complexity of causes; nevertheless, one of the main causes was undoubtedly that the teachings in the Buddhist scriptures could supply the woman monarch such a convenient theory for her political ends as she had been unable to find anywhere else."

The lecturer was thanked by Prof. L. Forster.

The speaker at the next meeting, on Feb. 7, will be Mr. T. K. Chuan, Editor of the Tien Hsia Monthly, whose subject will be "The Tao with a Luminous Nose."

POLITICAL ARRESTS IN FRANCE

VICHY, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—A fresh wave of political arrests is sweeping over France, it was stated yesterday.

Some 40 have been arrested in Paris during the past few days under a decree providing for the internment of persons dangerous to public security.

In other parts of the country a round-up of such persons resulted in 10 arrests on Thursday alone, and 36 as a consequence of recent police activity.

PORTUGUESE WAR MINISTRY DECREE

LISBON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—All foreigners are barred from entering Portuguese flying schools or any aerodrome in the country, even private ones, according to a new decree of the Portuguese War Ministry, issued yesterday.

No foreigners are allowed to fly over Portuguese territory, even over regions outside the normal forbidden zones, with the exception of the regular air lines.

Tokyo Paper Assails U.S. Japan Policy

FIRM GOVT. STAND ADVOCATED

TOKYO, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—Bitterly assailing the recent United States attitude towards Japan and the Axis powers, the Kokumin Shimbun, one of the leading metropolitan newspapers, yesterday advocated in an editorial suspension of the despatch of the newly-appointed Ambassador, Admiral Nomura, to Washington.

Reason, says the paper, would be to manifest "Japan's firm determination" vis-a-vis the situation.

The newspaper said "President Roosevelt's fireside chat, the recent annual Budget Message and other speeches of late were nothing but a challenge to Japan."

The paper added they were "simply rabid" and out of the "common road."

"Mere diplomatic technique, the Kokumin continued, would never be able to remedy the situation, so the Japanese Government must take a firm stand in order to cope with the situation."

The journal added: "Though we have tried every possible means in order to improve the strained relations, it seems too late for success now."

40 U.S. AIRCRAFT FOR CHUNGKING

SHANGHAI, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—The Chinese press, quoting well-informed sources, yesterday stated that over 40 American planes were shipped from Manila and delivered to the Chinese Government recently.

Included in the shipment were also 100 cases of aeroplane parts and accessories.

Another Chinese press report says it is learned that the United States is sending a "fleet of light warships" to the Far East to protect American interests.

GROWING U.S. ARMY IS DEADLY SERIOUS ABOUT ITS ABILITY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The U. S. Army is confident of its ability to meet any emergency that could confront it now and, likewise, any future emergency.

That is the opinion of officers working long hours in army posts throughout the country to convert millions of peaceful men and billions of the taxpayers' money into an efficient, hard-hitting army.

Their confidence is reflected in the high morale manifested at various posts visited by this correspondent and other defence writers during a recent army-sponsored air tour of the continental defence establishment.

The new national army that is being worked into shape gave the impression that it was deadly serious about its job. In many ways the army of today presents a different picture than the army of 1917. The officers and men are more casual in their relations, yet there is no lack of discipline. The salute is as brisk as ever and the air about the camps is thick with "yes, sir," and "no, sir."

Throughout the area covered by the survey—from Fort Bliss, Texas, to Fort Benning, Ga.—barracks were sprouting from the mud and dust, as they did in 1917. But there is an ordered form to the expansion programme.

Company streets are laid out with greater efficiency. Sometimes the equipment is inadequate, but it is kept in tip-top shape. At Fort Bliss, Okla., where the new 349th field artillery regiment is being formed with negro recruits, the 155-millimeter rifles made in France in 1917 are polished until they are as shiny as the 1940 tractors that pull them.

At Fort Knox, Ky., young men with a flair for machines are applying their genius to modern, armour-plated tanks that go tearing across the broken ravines along the Ohio river at 50 miles an hour, firing cannon at targets. The officers of this new armoured corps know and they tell their men: that they are but one part of a team; that the tanks themselves cannot win wars but must use their tremendous striking power to break through and fan out behind an enemy, facilitating the work of the infantry.

HORSE CAVALRY
At Fort Bliss horse cavalry is

INTENSE NAZI AIR RAID ON PORTSMOUTH

COUNTRYSIDE LIT BY FIRES

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—Leaving the rest of England almost untouched, Goering's Luftwaffe on Friday night concentrated their attention on Portsmouth, where a number of people were killed and much damage was done to houses and commercial premises.

Many fires were started but the situation was well in hand by yesterday morning, after fine work by the Auxiliary Fire Service.

The attackers came over in two waves in a raid which was described as "moderately intense," but the attack was over well before dawn.

Only a few bombs were dropped elsewhere in England and no one was killed. London had a night free from raiders.

TWO 'DOWNED'

Two enemy bombers were downed during the night, one by an R.A.F. fighter and the other by anti-aircraft guns.

Buildings damaged in Portsmouth included churches, schools, hotels, business premises, hospitals and dwellings.

Fires lit up the countryside for many miles, and firemen worked like Trojans throughout the night.

Efficient labour groups dealt promptly with "incendiaries" that fell in residential areas and helped to minimise the damage.

Receipt of the communique of the German High Command concerning the raid on Portsmouth provides an interesting commentary.

NAZI COMMUNIQUE

Although the British claimed to have shot down only two German machines, one by a night fighter and one by anti-aircraft gunfire, the German official announcement is that six bombers failed to return from the attack.

The Air Ministry's claim refers only to those certainly destroyed. It is presumed that the other four were so badly damaged by gunfire, either in combat or from the ground, that they failed to reach their base and crashed "into the Channel."

R.A.F. "BLITZ" ON ENEMY 'DROMES IN NORTH FRANCE

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—Protected by an escort of over 100 fighters, British bombers crossed the French coast in daylight on Friday and bombed aerodromes in the north of France and machine-gunned aircraft on the ground at low levels, says the Air Ministry news service.

Aircraft dispersed on the ground in the forest of De Guines near Calais were attacked and fires were started in the woods. High explosive and incendiary bombs were dropped on a nearby railway station which was left enveloped in smoke.

On the return flight a section of the fighter escort made a low level machine-gun attack on gun posts and troops in the neighbourhood of Vissant.

A number of Messerschmitt Co-operation aircraft were seen on

the ground in the corner of an aerodrome and were heavily machine-gunned by a Polish pilot who flew across the aerodrome at ground level to deliver the attack.

As he climbed away he sighted two Messerschmitt 109's below him at 200 feet. Singling out the nearest he attacked it and after three bursts of fire saw it crash to the ground.

Evading intense anti-aircraft fire he flew right back across the Channel at sea level and landed safely despite a jammed throttle which made it impossible for him to shut off his engine.

Another returning pilot attacked four patrol boats off the coast and sprayed them with machine-gun bullets, and later shot down a Messerschmitt which he saw attacking a Spitfire.

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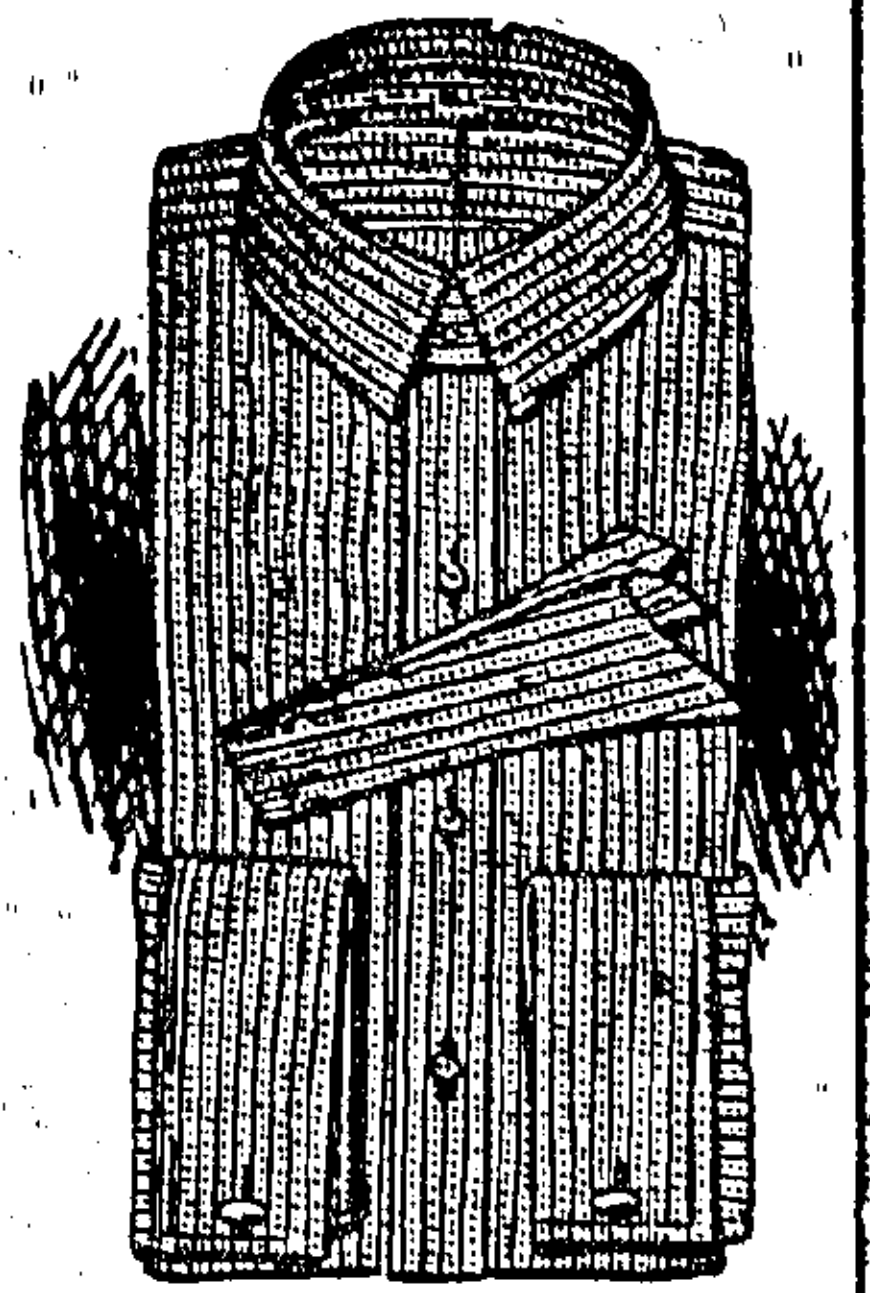
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ITALY HAS "FLEETEST" FLEET, SAYS PROFESSOR

"THE UNITED STATES MAY HAVE THREE FLEETS BUT ITALY CERTAINLY HAS THE 'FLEETEST' FLEET and the Mediterranean Sea has not proved to be the Italian lake," said Mr. H. C. Brownell, professor in History and Political Sciences at Lingnan University, on the subject, "The World's Weather," before the Lingnan alumni discussion group on Saturday at the Metropole Hotel.

FIREWOOD SITUATION SERIOUS

SYNDICATE BUYS SLEEPERS

The seriousness of the firewood situation might be gauged by the fact that a certain syndicate, with offices in the National Building, Ice House Street, has recently purchased OVER \$100,000 WORTH OF WOODEN SLEEPERS for conversion into firewood.

According to definite information received by a Hongkong Daily Press reporter, business has been so brisk that workers employed by the syndicate, to saw and cut down the sleepers into the right size, were hard put to cope with the demand.

ORDERS REJECTED

Orders for over 1,000 piculs have had to be rejected by the syndicate. It was further learned, the price of this wood was, as the result of the demand, increased from 38 cattles per dollar to 34 cattles to the dollar.

Inquiries from other sources have elicited the information that many Chinese office clerks have now turned to the use of coal as the result of the high price of firewood, with the result that the price of this fuel has increased by about 50 cents per picul.

Wealthy Dye Merchant Is Kidnapped

Stopping a car under false pretences by telling the driver that they were a Shanghai Municipal Police search party, a gang of five kidnapers, one of whom was dressed in a S.M.P. uniform, threw the driver and two passengers out and kidnapped Wong Tsub-ling, a wealthy Chinese dye merchant, in his own car near the corner of Avenue Foch and Tamsui Road at 11.15 a.m. on Jan. 6 reports the North China Daily News.

The victim was driving to his office in company with two friends along Avenue Foch when a few yards from Tamsui Road they saw five men, one in the police uniform, which, however, had no number, who ordered the driver to stop. Four of them were armed with pistols and the driver complied with their demand.

WHEN CAR HALTED

As soon as the car had come to a halt, the kidnapers ran up to it and threw the two friends of the victim and the driver out. One of them then got into the driver's vacant seat and the car was driven off in a northerly direction along Tamsui Road.

The case was immediately reported to the Chengtu Road police station. The car was later found abandoned by the Police, but no trace of the victim has been discovered. The crime, it was believed, was committed for the sole reason of getting ransom, as the victim is known to be very wealthy.

COLONY HEALTH BULLETIN

Twenty-four cases of tuberculosis, three of dysentery, two of diphtheria and one of enteric fever were notified to the local health authorities on Friday.

EASTERN PORTS

Six cases of small-pox were notified in Shanghai in the health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending Jan. 4.

LOCAL ESTATE

Probate of the will of the late Mr. Albert Dransfield, Import and Export Merchant, who died at No. 6, Broom Street, Happy Valley, Hongkong, on Nov. 24, leaving estate valued at \$10,100 has been granted to Mrs. Laura Jane Dransfield.

Immigration Department Appointments

The following appointments in the Immigration Department, with effect from Jan. 15, 1941, are notified:—

Immigration Officer:—R. A. D. Forrest.

Deputy Immigration Officers:—J. H. B. Lee and R. D. Bryan.

Assistant Immigration Officers:—A. J. G. Taylor, Leo. Well, L. E. Ammer, A. I. Burnie, R. M. A. Poin, C. C. Young, B. C. Hobbs and A. Komorosky.

Chinese Assistant Immigration Officers:—Wong Wing-nin, Kan Ludun, Peter Mok, Philip Listing, Hung To-sing, Tse Sze-chiu, Valtor Hamming Chen, Paul Ping Lun, Henry Keong Mark, Chiu Chung-fook, Ko Min-to, Chong Tuck-wing, Tong Man-kam, Wong Kam-nok, Tong Chung-kwan, Chen Sheng-wei and Ngan Chung-ki.

AUTHORISED ENTRY POINTS

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government is pleased to appoint, with effect from the coming into force of the Immigration Control Ordinance, the following places as the only authorised entry points across the north frontier of the Colony between Shantaukok and the estuary of the Shum Chun River inclusive. The frontier points at or nearest to:—

Shantaukok Blockhouse; Lin Tong Pass; Man Kam To Bridge; Lo Wu Bridge; and Lok Ma Chau ferry crossing.

EXAMINATION DEPOTS

Depots for the admission and examination of passengers and seamen are:—

Nos. 159 and 160, Connaught Road West; Nos. 287 and 289, Des Voeux Road West; and Permanent Pier No. 12, Connaught Road Central (opposite Gilman Street).

NEW RULES FOR IMMIGRATION AGENTS

It is officially learned that, in order to abolish exploitation, the Immigration Office has drawn up some new conditions for its agencies. The date for the execution of these conditions is fixed for Jan. 24, after which, only agencies conforming with the rules set down will be allowed to operate.

One of the conditions is the charging of not more than one dollar for all services, including the provision of the two necessary photographs, as may be rendered by the agencies.

Another condition rules that agencies are not to employ commission brokers, but have to pay their employees fixed salaries.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS CALENDAR

Three murders, two attempted murders, and two armed robberies, are included in the list of cases to be tried at the January Criminal Sessions which commence at 2.30 tomorrow.

Murder.—Wu Leung, Lui Shek, Tam Wang-kit, and Chan Fei (also charged with robbery by two or more); and Lau Fat, Cheung Kai-sau and Cheung Sau-fat alias Cheung Wai-yuen are jointly charged, as accessories before the fact, with Lau Fat.

Attempted Murder.—Cheung Wan (alternative charges: shooting with intent and unlawful possession of arms and ammunition); and Mak Kam-sau.

Armed Robbery.—Au Nam alias Au Piu, Chan Kai alias Chan Yui, Luk Wing, Wong Sing alias Lo Sam-yau, Tam Ying, and Young So.

Grievous Bodily Harm.—Chan Man (also charged with robbery).

Robbery.—Au Man alias Au Piu and Chan Kai alias Chan Yui; Chan Kwong; Wu Kwai; Wu Fong; Wu Yan, and Wu Yan "Lee"; Wong Sang; Yau Kau and Wong Lam Yeung (also charged with unlawful possession of arms and ammunition).

Assault.—Chan Po, Tsui Choi, Ko Shun alias Wong Pau Tsai (also charged with possession of a dagger).

Arms and Ammunition.—Au Nam alias Au Piu; and Chu Chung-wing.

Forged Bank Notes.—Chan Hung.

Breach of Deportation Order.—Li Tong; Lai Wan.

UNITED SERVICE AT METHODIST CHURCH

Universal Week Of Prayer Ends

The Universal Week of Prayer was brought to a fitting conclusion last evening with a United Service at the English Methodist Church, Wanchai Road, conducted by the Minister of the Church, Rev. J. E. Sandbach, and the Dean of St. John's Cathedral, the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson.

The Lesson, from St. Luke X, was read by the Dean, while the Sermon was preached by Mr. Sandbach.

During the Service, which was very well attended, the following hymns were sung:—"O God of Bethel, by whose hand," "Jesus, where'er thy people meet," "The King of love my shepherd is," "O God of truth, whose living word," and "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun."

DEDICATE LIVES

Speaking on "Act of Dedication," Mr. Sandbach took as his theme the voluntary offer of Israel to be God's messenger, after his conversion on the death of King Hoshiah. The speaker urged those present to dedicate their lives to the service of God and to hear His call in this year of destiny.

After Dean Wilson had pronounced the Blessing, Holy Communion was celebrated.

SATURDAY'S SERVICE

On Saturday evening, the service—the sixth in the Universal Week of Prayer—was held at St. John's Cathedral, when the Rev. E. W. L. Martin spoke on "The Christian Witness in the Colony."

ALLEGED MOLESTATION OF GIRLS

Chinese Arrested In Kowloon

In connexion with the molestation of senior girls of the St. Mary's School, as reported in the Hongkong Daily Press of Saturday, information has now been received that the Chinese mentioned in the report has been arrested by Rev. Fr. Angell's at 1.30 p.m. on Friday.

According to reports, Fr. Angell's was in his Rectory, when several girls, in a highly agitated state, informed him that a Chinese male was annoying their school-mates by commencing to disrobe himself.

Fr. Angell's drove to the scene but the man, on seeing him, ran off. After a short chase the man was arrested by Fr. Angell's opposite No. 117, Austin Road, and brought to the Police Station.

FURTHER INCREASE IN PETROL PRICE RUMOURED

It is rumoured that Government is proposing to increase the tax on petroleum by an additional 49 cents per gallon. This, however, could not be confirmed officially, but if put into operation would raise the retail price to \$2.20 per gallon.

It has been indicated by owners of cars that they would prefer an increase in price to a system of rationing being introduced and which might have given to the reports. Moreover, it is understood that Government is not anxious to introduce rationing, which will bring with it complications, if the consumption of petroleum in the Colony can be reduced by any other method.

In this connexion it will be recalled that prices of petrol were increased some time ago by Government with the object of reducing consumption.

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

A meeting of the Urban Council will be held tomorrow at 4.15 p.m. and the agenda is as follows:—

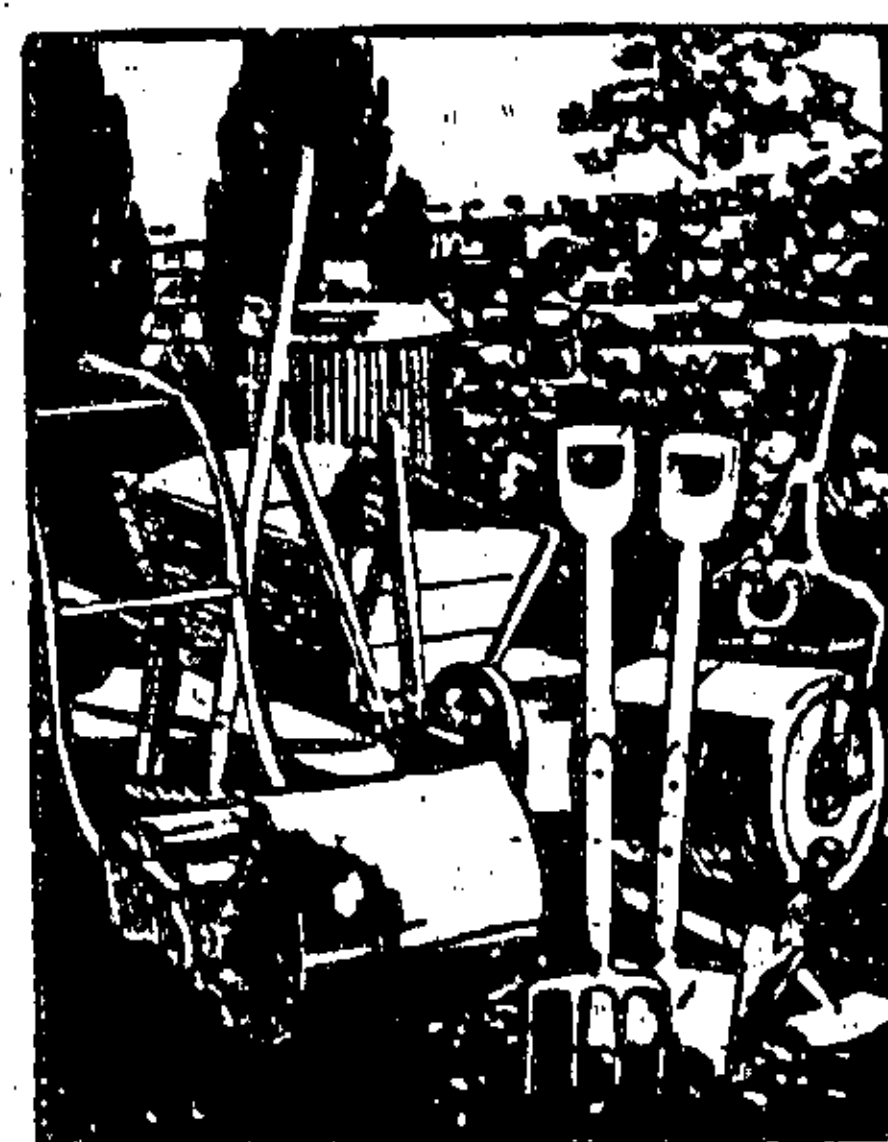
1. Letter from T. H. King relative to the acknowledgment of the receipt of the letter from the Council.

2. Correspondence relative to the postponement of the next Urban Council Meeting.

3. Application for a food preserving licence for No. 2, New Kak Hang Village, ground floor.

4. Regular Returns.

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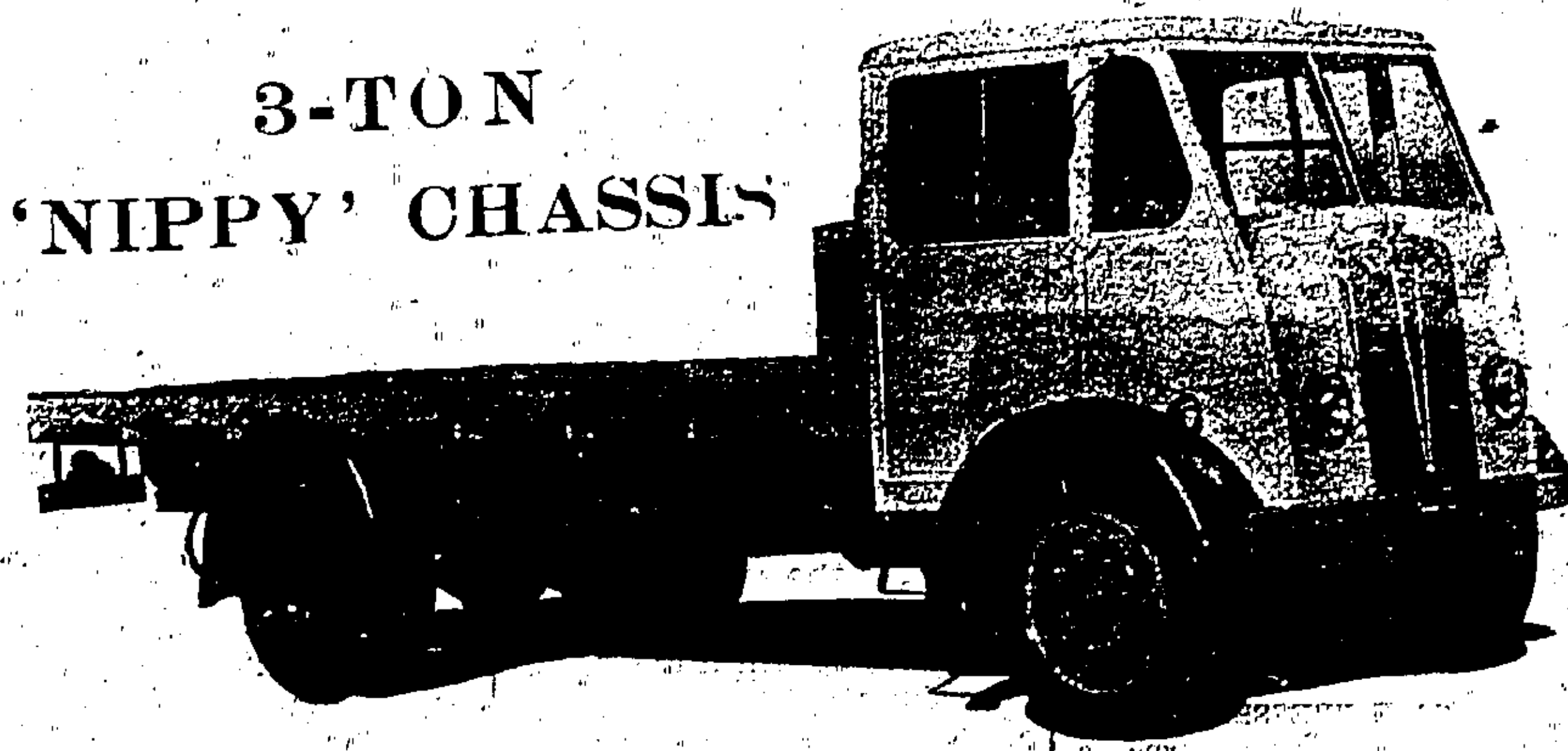
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Provisions of Section 58 of the
Probate Ordinance No. 2 of 1897,
made an Order that the time for
Creditors and others to send in
their claims against the above
estate shall be limited to 8th day
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MONTHS

Sentence of nine months' ri-
gorous imprisonment on each of
two charges, the sentences to run
concurrently, was passed by Mr.
J. L. McFall, the District Judge,
Singapore, on Ti Keok Koi, a
small sundry shopkeeper, who was
convicted on two charges of hav-
ing attempted to sell beer and
stout bearing the labels of the
Archipelago Brewery Co., Ltd., and
of the Malayan Breweries, Ltd.,
of whose manufacture they were
not.

CASE PRESSED

Remarking that this type of
crime had become prevalent in
Singapore, Chief Court Inspector
E. H. Tunn, who prosecuted, pressed
for a heavy sentence.

According to the prosecution,
71 bottles of beer and stout bear-
ing the trade marks of the two
companies were found in the pre-
mises. They contained beer or
stout.

Besides those bottles, a large
number of empty bottles, labels,
and other paraphernalia for cork-
ing the bottles after they had been
diluted, were also found in the
premises.

It was described as the proprie-
tor of a sundry goods shop in
Rowell Road.

The death occurred on Decem-
ber 31, at his home, 375 Klang-
ber Road, of Romaldo (Romao) dos
Passos Carneiro, aged 70 years,
father of Mrs. Lizaura Maria
Carneiro Marques. A Requiem
Mass took place at the Church of
Christ the King Rue Bourgeat,
on January 4, and was followed
by interment at the Hungshao
Road Cemetery.

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THE NEW PINCER
MOVE

WHEN THE AXIS POWERS,
having failed to break
the resistance of the British
people after the collapse of
France, turned their atten-
tions to South-East Europe,
their drive to the east was
loudly proclaimed as a vast
pincer movement in which
Germany would sweep through
the Balkans and Italy through
Egypt to meet at the Suez
Canal. The idea, of course,
was to sever Britain's eastern
possessions from the west.
The events which have taken
place since that plan was
mooted show how completely
it has failed and that it has
little chance of being put into
execution now. In its place,
another great pincer move-
ment has started and it has
begun to operate on an even
much wider arc than Ger-
many and Italy ever contem-
plated. But this time, the
pincer move is being worked
by the Democratic front and
is steadily and surely closing
in on the Axis partners. One
arm of this move is already
falling on the Axis forces
through the deserts of North
Africa—the other is com-
prised of the growing pressure
which is emanating from the
United States as a result
of the increased assistance
which America is giving to
Britain and those other na-
tions which are resisting the
aggressors.

ON FRIDAY LAST, au-
thority to make the American
arm of the pincer operate to
keep peace with the sweep
of the British arm in North
Africa, was sought in both
houses of the United States
Congress. There is no ques-
tion now that that authority
will be readily given and,
when it is given, it will make
President Roosevelt's new
"lend and lease" policy im-
mediately effective and will
be a further demonstration
of how far America has
travelled on the democratic
front when it is contrasted
with her previous attitude of
"cash and carry" assistance
to Britain and her allies.
This new authority which the
President of the United States
has requested to implement
his pledges to Britain and to
reinforce the resistance of
those nations which have re-
fused to be intimidated by
Axis threats, has been appro-
priately termed a "blank
cheque" and its huge scope
has already begun to have a
tremendous moral effect on
the European gangsters and
their deluded and disillusion-
ed dupe in the Far East. All
the fretting and fuming
against President Roosevelt's
so-called "act of war" will
not alter the situation which
has turned so favourably to
Britain and her allies as a
result of this unprecedented
American collaboration. The
question before Herr Hitler
and his lesser gangsters now,
as Mr. Wickham Steed de-
clared on Friday, is: When
and how to answer this
challenge.

THE RELATION between
the pressure of the American
arm of the pincer and its
fellow in Libya is very close,
indeed. The initiative in
offensive taken by the Army
of the Nile against the

IMPROVEMENT IN SMALL
COINS SITUATION"No 5-Cent Piece" Cry On
Buses Now Silenced

A most definite improvement in the small coins situa-
tion, insofar as the buses are concerned, was noticed since
the publication of an article which appeared in the Hong-
kong Daily Press last Monday.

Investigations carried out by our reporter revealed that
in very few cases have conductors of buses, request-
ed passengers unable to tender 5-cent pieces to leave the
bus; and that the parrot-cry of "No 5-cent piece don't
board the bus" has been silenced.

While the travelling public
are appreciative of the action
taken by the bus companies
to put a stop to the ramp,
the insinuation that it was the
passengers who brought about
the intolerable situation is
resented. The fact that small
change were given to the
conductors before they com-
menced work and that no
small change have been
returned by them was no
proof that they have not
collected any coins during
the time they were on duty.

As stated in the article, the
Hongkong Daily Press reporter
witnessed the collection of 5-cent
pieces during the whole trip from
Kowloon City to the "Star" Ferry
wharf, and the refusal of the con-
ductor to give a single one in
change. It was not that the pub-
lic did not co-operate with the bus
companies but rather that the
latter's employees were out to
"make hay while the sun shines".
In this connexion it would be
interesting to know the reason for
bus conductors keeping 5-cent
coins in their trousers pockets in-
stead of in the bags supplied to
them by the companies, and in
which they keep the 10-cent coins.

INCREASE IN PREMIUM

Government's increase in the
premium on 5-cent pieces, from
half of one per cent. to one per
cent., will not help the situation
greatly as the money-changers are
still able to plead that they have
no stock of that coin, even as
store-keepers are now refusing to
give out copper cents in change for
less than a three cents purchase.
As an example of the latter situa-
tion, a person purchasing a 11-
cent packet of cigarettes could
not obtain change if he tendered
two 10-cent pieces.

Although there is nothing in
common law to compel a con-
ductor to give change such change
has always been given by bus con-
ductors as a convenience.

If common law is to be relied on
by everyone, the Colony will soon
be reduced to that state where
every person will be compelled to
carry money in a sack for there
is nothing to compel a shop-
keeper, a bar-tender, a restaura-
teur, a landlord, or even a solicitor
to give change nor to accept che-
ques in payment of accounts.

U.S. OFFICIALS
FOR LONDON

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).
—A delegation of United States
officials are leaving for London on
Jan. 17 to work out formal leases
for the American naval and air
bases acquired from Britain, an-
nounced the State Department.

Italians and the complete
manner in which the Greeks
have turned the tables on Il
Duce's tattered and battered
divisions in Albania have re-
ceived added impetus by this
promise of unlimited help
from across the Atlantic.
Apart from the manner in
which this American gesture
has increased the determina-
tion of Britain and her allies,
there is also the new hope
and confidence it has aroused
amongst the smaller nations
who have been the objects of
Herr Hitler's bluster and
bullying. This is particularly
so in the Balkans, where Bul-
garia and Yugoslavia have so
far refused to yield to Axis
cajolery. It is evident in the
increased will of the Turkish
people to resist any penetra-
tion in their direction and it
is even noticeable in the more
independent stand which So-
viet Russia has taken up to-
wards indications of German
moves along her own fron-
tiers. And Herr Hitler still
hesitates, as hesitate he
must in the face of these
new developments. Dare he
risk the gamble of an
invasion of England? The
reports of intensified raids
carried out by the R.A.F. on
enemy aerodromes in "occu-
pied France, where there were
concentrations of German
divisions which usually
co-operate with the German
army, seem to indicate that
Herr Hitler may be compelled
to take the risk in order to
secure a decision before
American aid can become
fully effective for Britain. If
this great gamble fails, nothing
will prevent the new pin-
cer movement from succeed-
ing and a new era will be pre-
sented to the world—an era
which will be worth the sacri-
fice and suffering that have
been endured in order to make
the world safe for all time.

COMING &
GOING BY
CLIPPER

Pan American Airways PHIL-
IPINE CLIPPER (Capt. W. J. Ban-
croft) bringing U.S. mails, dated
Jan. 4, arrived in Hongkong on
Saturday afternoon with the fol-
lowing passengers:

MR. JOHN P. SHERRY, Presi-
dent of the Hongkong Telephone
Co., returning after a short busi-
ness trip to the Philippines;

MR. JOEL R. JONES, executive of
Connell Bros., on a business trip
to the Colony;

MR. RALPH YOUNG, P.A.A. en-
gineer making a familiarization
trip from Wake Island;

MR. CHUNG AH-NG, MR. QUE
JI-TO and MR. TO QUE-JI, Chi-
nese merchants, on business visits
to the Colony;

MR. TANG AH-SAO, Chinese
merchant, and MR. ALBERT AV-
RAMOW, Hongkong business ex-
ecutive, were booked from Manila
to Macao.

DEPARTURES

The PHILIPINE CLIPPER left
yesterday morning on her return
flight to San Francisco, via Mani-
la, taking two passengers from
the Colony—

MR. EVANS F. CARLSON, au-
thor of "Twin Stars Over China,"
proceeding to Manila, en route to
his home;

MR. LEONG WAH-CHAN, Chi-
nese merchant from Manila, com-
pleting the return portion of a
round trip by Clipper.

NEXT CLIPPER

Pan American Airways AMERI-
CAN CLIPPER is scheduled to ar-
rive in Hongkong on Thursday
next, Jan. 18, and to leave the fol-
lowing morning.

NEWSETTES

The number of emigrants leaving
the Colony for the Straits Settle-
ments during December was 3,254.

An Order for the removal of all
graves in a certain portion of
Mount Davis Cemetery is pub-
lished in the Government Gazette.

During the absence from the Co-
lony of Mr. Solik Yano, Consul-
General for Japan at Hongkong,
Mr. Takio Oda will be in charge of
the Japanese Consulate-General.

Mr. Jack Cooper Fitz-Henry, M.
L. Fire E., has been appointed to
act as Chief Officer, Fire Brigade,
with effect from Jan. 1, 1941.

Charles Rene Lee has been re-
assigned from the Key-Posts Group
to the General Group for Essential
Services in the Hongkong Defence
Reserve.

The standard price for Eagle
sweetened condensed milk (4 oz.)
is 23 cents per tin. It is notified by
the Controller of Food.

Mr. T.E. Jackson will address
the Hongkong Rotary Club, at its
weekly meeting tomorrow, on
"Marks & Lines".

The names of Dr. Tseung Ying-
kay, M.B., B.S. (Hongkong) and
Dr. Woo Pak-too, M.B., B.S.
(Edin.), L.M. (Edin.) have been ad-
ded to the Register of Medical
Practitioners in this Colony.

The forthcoming wedding be-
tween Mr. Cheng Kwok-thai, mer-
chant, residing at No. 369, Prince
Edward Road, and Miss Chow Wai-
ling of No. 3, Rutland Quadrant,
Kowloon Tong, has been announ-
ced.

Heavy gun anti-aircraft firing
practice will be carried out be-
tween 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Jan. 16
and 17 in the southern area of the
Island. Firing areas "C" and "D"
will be affected.

The marriage took place on
December 31, 1940, at the Royal
Norwegian Consulate General,
Shanghai, of Liljan Kroeger to
Mr. Anton Elvindh Arntzen.

The birth of a second daughter
is possibly something of a dis-
appointment to the Duke of Nor-
folk. At present the heir pre-
sumptive to the premier dukedom
is his holder's 85-year-old uncle,
Viscount Fitzalan of Derwent,
whose only son has also two
daughters.

The Financial Secretary has
prescribed the premium at which
a money-changer may exchange
Hongkong currency of any denomi-
nation for Hongkong five cent
coins as one per cent.

An enjoyable musical evening
was given by members of the Wah
Yan College Past Students' As-
sociation to a large gathering of
present students and friends at
the college compound on Saturday
night.

The engagement is announced
of Mr. Peter Cecil Levy, only son of
Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Levy, of Shang-
hai, and Hermine, elder daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. E. Brandt, of
Shanghai.

A surplus provincial revenue
amounting to over CN\$16,000,000
for the period ended December
31, 1940, was announced by Gen-
eral Hsueh Yoh, Chairman of the
Hunan Provincial Government in
his New Year message. Great pro-
gress has been achieved in the
various phases of provincial ad-
ministration during the past year.

The death occurred on January
2 at the General Hospital, Shang-
hai, of Mr. W. R. B. Palmer,
beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. John
Palmer, aged 34 years.

In the presence of many re-
latives and friends, a Requiem
Mass was celebrated in Shang-
hai on Jan. 6 for the late Mr.
Leo Joseph Bahr, an old China
resident and founder and first
president of the Shanghai, Cage
Birds Association, at the Church
Bristol the King. The Rev. Father
J. F. Magner, S.J., said Mass and
read the last rites at the grave
in Bubbling Well Cemetery, which
was protected from the inclement
weather by a portable tent-chapel.

MORE VOLUNTEERS
FROM SHANGHAI

A small contingent of volunteers
for H. M. Forces left Shanghai, on
Jan. 6 en route to India, where
they will join the Indian Army.

The volunteers are Messrs. A. G.
L. Richards, H. M. E. Hodgman
and R. T. Abern.

DETAILS OF NEW FIRE
STATION BUILDING IN
THE EASTERN DISTRICTFirst Floor Will Take Load
Of Superstructure In Case
Of Collapse During Raid

An up-to-date four-storeyed reinforced concrete build-
ing, estimated to cost \$140,000, with the first floor so con-
structed as to easily take the load of the superstructure in
case of its collapsing during a bombing raid, is in the
course of construction on the site bounded by Hennessy
Road, Lockhart Road, and Canal Road East.

When completed, in August or September, the Eastern
Fire Station—as it will be called—will be a worthy addition
to the Hongkong Fire Brigade and, with its equipment, will
be able to fully cope with all fires in the eastern district.

As explained to a Hongkong
Daily Press reporter by Mr. J.
C. Charter, architect of the
Public Works Department who
was, incidentally, responsible
for the plans of the building,
the new station will be con-
structed of reinforced con-
crete with brick panels. The
external walls of the ground
floor will be terrazzo tiled
with plaster rendering above.

Due to the soft nature of the
ground, which necessitated the
driving of piles to a great depth
as supporters for the column
bases, pile-driving was not com-
pleted by the Vibro Piling Co.,
Ltd., until the end of December,
when work on the superstructure
was commenced by the building
contractors, Messrs. Cheong Hing
& Co.

Fire appliances (and motor am-
bulances) will leave the building
through the doors leading out onto
Hennessy Road, and return to the
Station by the entrance in Lock-
hart Road.

APPLIANCE ROOM

The 40-foot deep appliance room,
on the ground floor, will have ac-
commodation for four fire engines
and two ambulances. Adjoining
this room will be the administra-
tive offices and watch-room.

In the latter will be the tele-
phones, and the main switch board
which will control all the alarms
and lights in the appliance room.
The four main doors will also be
electrically controlled by a switch
in this room.

At the back of the appliance
room will be a covered yard for

CHINESE PRODUCTS
EXHIBITION A
GREAT SUCCESS

The following communication
has been received by the Hong-
kong Chinese Manufacturers
Union from Capt. S.H. Batty
Smith, A.D.C., in reply to a letter
from the Chairman who, on be-
half of manufacturers, presented
His Excellency the Acting Gov-
ernor with samples of their pro-
ducts:—

Dear Sir, — I am directed by
His Excellency the Acting Gov-
ernor to thank you for your kind
letter of January 3, and to ask
you to convey his sincere thanks
to the many exhibitors who so
kindly sent him samples of their
products, which he has great
pleasure in accepting. All of these
he has personally examined with
much interest. Some he is keep-
ing for his personal use, some will
be used for the general purposes
of his household, some will be
placed on the inventory of Gov-
ernment House, and others he has
sent to those who have greater
need of them, or can make better
use of them than he, namely the
poor and suffering, the Department
of Air Raid Precautions, the Bri-
tish War Organisation Fund, the
Military Authorities and the Po-
lice.

It was a very great disappoint-
ment to His Excellency that,
owing to his illness, his medical
advisers entirely forbade him to
make the two further visits to
the Exhibition which he had
planned. He did, however, send
many prominent persons to visit
it, including certain exceedingly
important visitors to the Colony,
who were surprised at and in-
terested in the varied range and
excellent quality of the exhibits.

His Excellency is highly grati-
fied to hear of the great success
of the Exhibition, and wishes it
ever increasing success in the years
to come. He hopes that it may one
day be to the whole of South
China, and perhaps to the Far
East in general, what the British
Industries Fair is in Europe.

All windows in the building will
be protected by projecting cement
hoods; and all partitioning will be
carried out in light patented
blocks.

Direct communication from all
upper floors with the appliance-
room will be by means of sliding
poles.

The building, when completed,
will be 54 feet high, inclusive of
the flat roof, and will occupy a
site measuring 133 feet by 78 feet
six inches. There will be a 6-foot
driveway in Hennessy Road.

In connexion with the construc-
tion of the new Fire Station it is
interesting to note that it is the
intention of the newly-appointed
Chief Officer, Mr. J. C. Fitz-Henry,
of bringing the combined strength
of the regular Fire Brigade and
the Auxiliary Fire Service to over
1,000 officers and men. Additional
equipment, among which are four
high-powered pumping units with
a capacity of 1,250 gallons per
minute each, is being purchased.

FIRST CLASS RESERVE
As to the Auxiliary Fire Service
—the Home counter-part of which
have excelled itself during the re-
cent fire raids—it should prove a
real first-class reserve to the regu-
lar fire brigade should the emer-
gency ever arise in Hongkong. The
36 Auxiliary fireposts in Victoria
and Kowloon could be manned
within a few minutes, it was learn-
ed from an authoritative source.

BRITAIN'S
BEST
SELLERS

Shakespeare and the Bible re-
main the "best sellers" in the vast
total of \$2,605,281 worth of books
sent overseas, despite the paper
shortage, by British publishers
during the first nine months of
1940.

Australia was easily the biggest
purchaser with the United States
second, and South Africa, Ire-
land, Canada, India and New Zealand
all high in the list.

WEEKLY SHIPMENTS
England's largest bookbinding
firm is sending huge weekly ship-
ments off to Empire countries,
notably to South Africa, Canada
and New Zealand. They have not
lost a single book.

The firm, which has bound
many of the world's most famous
manuscripts, maintains continuous
research in all the processes nec-
essary for colouring skins for
bookbinding, and checks the re-
sults by an expert leather chemist.

After testing leathers under
severe conditions it has been
found that the native tanning of
Nigerian leathers is the most
effective in protecting leather
from injury.

WASHINGTON DIVIDED OVER BRITISH AID BILL Strong Opposition By The Isolationist Clique

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—Reaction to the British Aid Bill ranged from an assertion by Senator Johnson that it would "create a dictatorship" to the view that "this is a practical and efficient way to aid nations fighting the Axis."

Senator Johnson regarded the Bill as "monstrous," adding: "I decline to change the whole form of my government on the specious plea of assisting one belligerent."

Representative McCormack, the House Democratic leader, said: "The Bill properly delegates power to the President—the only man in an executive position whose constituency is the entire country."

Senator Thomas said: "It is not as far-reaching as world events warrant. The President should have power to send American ships with supplies into combat zones."

Senator Chandler, of Kentucky, said: "We have got to let one fellow—the President—do it. This is not something we can hold a board meeting about."

Senator LaFollette said: "This is not a request for a blank cheque. It is a demand for Congress to abdicate vital and important power."

SWEEPING POWERS
Representative Hamilton Fish, the isolationist, declared: "The powers proposed are so sweeping that it looks as if we are bringing over Nazism, Fascism and dictatorship to America and setting up a fuhrer."

No fewer than a dozen members jumped up and made remarks when the Bill was introduced in the House.

In the Senate, where the Bill was simultaneously introduced, Senator McKellar described Hitler as a "devil incarnate" and proposed to "repeal all laws which would in any way interfere with our giving Congress necessary powers."

OPINION DIVIDED
Senator Clark, an isolationist, declared the Bill permitted President

IMPORTANT MOVES

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The new air bases across western Canada will form a chain stretching across North America. New British Columbia, to the Yukon, and connect up with United States bases in Alaska.

These will be vitally important to the United States since they will provide for an all year round air highway to and from Alaska and they will be able to handle with the heavy bombers to be used by the air forces of both countries.

"PARTNERSHIP"
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—A "partnership" between the big American motor-car corporations and the aviation industry for producing planes for national defence has been arrived at.

The aviation chief of the National Defence Commission, Dr. George Mead, told newspapers that in this connexion Ford, General Motors and the Chrysler Company would construct belt assembly rooms for 1,200 planes each.

Ford was also going to manufacture parts for bombers being constructed by the Douglas and Consolidated Aircraft Companies while Chrysler would build parts for Martin bombers and General Motors for North American Aviation machines.

"I believe I have found a solution for the production of military planes in these three great automobile corporations," stated Dr. Mead.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—General Moleworth, in a broadcast, forecast a fully trained and equipped army of half a million for India in 1941.

CONGRESS WILL PASS AID BRITAIN BILL

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an instrument in the world of ideological warfare between democracies and dictators.

It is expected that the main Congress discussion will centre first on allowing the President to give Britain secret designs, and second a provision for repairing British warships in American harbours.

ENORMOUS SURRENDER
"Congress should consider the enormous surrender of its responsibility," declared ex-President

Hoover, commenting on the Aid Britain Bill. He added: "I know that no such surrender has been made by the British Parliament."

Racket buster Dewey, recent Republican candidate for the Presidency, said that the Bill was an attempt to abolish free government.

He said that the Bill was not a blank cheque as Congress would have to provide the finance thus controlling the number of planes and other material to Britain.

RESTRICTED OPERATIONS BY R.A.F.

FOUR PLANES LOST IN WEEK'S RAIDS

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—During the week ended at dawn on Jan. 10 R.A.F. raids on Germany and German-occupied territory were restricted on some of the dates owing to very bad weather though some heavy attacks were carried out, especially on enemy docks and shipping.

Among the outstanding objectives were: Bremen (on three successive nights)—heavy raids were made on the naval base, ship-building yards, factories, railways and goods yards; Wilhelmshaven—the Emden naval docks and harbours were attacked for many hours in good visibility; Brest—a series of day and night attacks on three dates; Rotterdam—on the oil storage plant and Borkum aerodrome; Egersund (Norway)—direct hit scored on an important railway bridge.

In all 19 attacks were made against ports and shipping, two on oil targets, three on railways and a number against industrial targets and aerodromes.

In all these operations only four British aircraft were lost and three German aircraft were destroyed during these raids.

STREAMLINED DECLARATION
"No congress except a rubber stamp congress would enact such a Bill."

Senator Conally favoured "supplying arms and munitions to nations fighting against aggression and for the survival of Democracy and free government."

Representative Storry (Ohio) declared: "It is a streamlined, modern declaration of war and should be considered as such."

U.S. CONVOYS
United States naval vessels will not be able to convoy merchant ships to Europe under the British Aid Bill.

The original draft of the Bill was revised to make this point clear. It was disclosed yesterday by the Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Senator George.

The Bill will be considered by the House of Representatives Foreign Relations Committee tomorrow and by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on Wednesday.

ISOLATIONIST CONFERENCE
Isolationist senators held a conference on Friday night on measures they hope may defeat the Bill, but general opinion is that they will be able to secure only a handful of votes against it.

Many senators who intend to vote for the Bill will, however, try to place some check on the authority which it grants to the President.

DISCUSSION GROUP PROGRAMME

Mr. P. H. Samuel spoke on "Boys' Club work in the United Kingdom," at the Y. M. C. A. Discussion Group meeting held last night in the West Lounge. The speaker was thanked by Mr. A. W. Ingram.

Following is the programme of the Group: Educational picture show on Jan. 18; Father Byrne to speak on Feb. 2; Sir Atholl MacGregor to speak on Feb. 9.

TWO PROFESSORS ARRESTED

Two German professors are reported to have been arrested in Turkey on charges of being concerned in espionage activities, states an Australian message.

A woman, stated to be about 98 years of age, was alleged to have committed suicide by jumping over the verandah of the second floor of No. 293, Lockhart Road at 8.30 a.m. yesterday.

Greeks Take Another Important Point

The latest report from Albania comes from the Albanian front, where bad weather has restricted operation, states a London message.

In spite of heavy rain throughout Saturday, the Greeks advancing near Elbasan, captured another important point. In the south, slight advance is also reported.

The latest communique says that 100 prisoners and a large quantity of war material were captured during mopping up operations.

A serious revolt against Italy has been reported from Albania by Albanians who have been forced into the Italian Army. The revolt was only suppressed after heavy bloodshed.

ABLE COMMAND
The British military mission in Greece has sent a message of congratulation to Gen. Papagos, on the capture of Kilsura. The message stated: "Thanks to the able command and indomitable superiority of the Greek soldier, a stronghold which appeared impregnable has been taken."

Gen. Papagos in reply referred in warm terms to the success of the British troops in Libya.

Greek newspapers expressed satisfaction of the Greek people in the progress of the friendly relations between two countries who are friends and allies.

Germans Already Conceding Loss Of Whole Of Libya

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year, the Italians will be swept clean out of Africa.

R.A.F. MOVING UP
CAIRO, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—As the British Imperial Army moves rapidly westward across the Libyan Desert, the R.A.F. is also speedily moving up to more advanced bases so as to keep up with the theatre of operations and to enable fighters as much as bombers to operate at close quarters.

A notable feature of the present activity is the absence of the Italian Air Force. The crack Italian aerodrome at El Adem, south of Tobruk, was to be the platform for major air attacks on Egypt and it may be symptomatic of the pressure exerted upon the Regia Aeronautica that even before it fell into British hands no such attack had been launched for some time.

Rome claims that Italian dive-bombers have attacked and destroyed British mechanised columns appear to be without foundation and remain unconfirmed by British military reports.

PLANES WITHDRAWN
The Italian withdrawal of planes, pilots and ground staffs to aerodromes further westward would undoubtedly account for the inactivity in the air at the moment, for evacuation makes it difficult to carry out consistent attacks on British forces.

The Italian Air Force is being given no peace in its fresh stations for day and night these stations are being visited by British bombers. Now it would seem that either Marshal Graziani is nursing his aircraft and airmen for later efforts or with supplies and men running short he has had to acknowledge crushing R.A.F. superiority.

LIKE EPSOM DOWNS
The Libyan Desert at present resembles the Epsom Downs on Derby Day.

British army lorries and trucks stretch for miles.

An advance of 230 miles has been accomplished not merely by a few mechanised units, but by all branches of the army.

USE OF TANKS
LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—Surprised by the use of tanks which dashed through gaps in the barbed wire made by engineers and followed by Gold Coast troops, the Italians at Elwak abandoned everything and fled.

This authoritative account of the attack is given in London which states that this reveals that the tactics employed were similar to those employed at Bardia and equally successful.

At dawn before the zero hour, tanks and Gold Coast troops lay in the bush being peppered by machinegun fire. Four men were

The Latest Report

The latest report from Tobruk is very brief, and states that military activities are continuing and that British troops are concentrating in greater numbers round the port with the arrival of further reinforcements.

Tobruk is now in a worse state than Bardia and water is scarce and has to be brought from Derna.

The British forces control the road which runs east, says a London message.

wounded but no reply was made so that the enemy should be left guessing as to what was coming.

GOLD COAST TROOPS
Later Gold Coast troops arrived in front of the Italian positions strongly defended with barbed wire. Artillery came into action against the Italian batteries four miles away. Ten minutes later came the sound of tanks crashing through thorn bushes on the left and on passing the infantry they swerved and paralleled with the defences on which they opened a devastating broadside in a long while line.

While the tanks were blazing away, engineers blasted 10-yard gaps in the wire. The tanks tore through the gaps and Gold Coast men went forward with bayonets.

Abandoning their artillery and machineguns, the enemy fled except for two men who bravely picked up their rifles but both were killed. The tanks circled round flattening some of the buildings and setting others on fire until the whole of Elwak was aflame.

The booty included four 3-inch guns, machine-guns, shells, ammunition and supplies.

One of the most remarkable features was the toughness of the British tanks. The Italians obviously did not think it would be possible to use tanks in this frightful country amid the heat and boulder studded bush and limestone rocks and they were taken by surprise as to the devastation they could cause.

MATILDA PATIENT MISSING

A female patient of the Matilda Hospital is reported to have been missing since 11.30 a.m. on Saturday and up to late last night no news had been received by the Police concerning the woman who is stated to be a Russian, named Miss Vellrie Zaesky, 40 years of age.

BRITISH, S. AFRICAN OFFENSIVE PRESAGED

JOHANNESBURG, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—An offensive by British and South African troops against the Italians in Abyssinia and British Somaliland was foreshadowed by General Smuts in a speech here yesterday.

"In the desert between Kenya and Abyssinia we have been keeping in check and immobilising an Italian army at least as big as that which General Wavell's army has hammered to extinction. If we had not been pinning down this army of 200,000 it might be a grave menace to General Wavell's army in the north."

"The South Africans have been standing on guard. The time for action has now come. Our role in 1941 will be to help clear Abyssinia of the enemy, and not only Abyssinia, but British Somaliland, which was overwhelmed by vastly superior force some months ago."

**Rumania Is
Heading For
Revolution**

Reports from the Balkans indicate growing dissatisfaction among the population in Rumania, states a London message. This is mainly directed towards General Antonescu's policy of submission to Germany.

A protest has been sent to the Government by a patriotic organisation of the Peasant Party.

It says that Rumania is heading for revolution and collapse. The German Army, it states, is robbing the people of their food.

Similar dissatisfaction is reported in Bucharest, where it is stated that several officers of the Rumanian army have been dismissed and other ranks sent to prison for terms varying from three to five years.

**EXPLOSIVE BOMB
ON SUBWAY**

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terday, states an Air Ministry communique.

Enemy aircraft dropped bombs on a town in East Kent in the early afternoon, damaging some houses and a small number of people killed.

SPECIAL PICKETS
Some guard will in future be used for dealing with fire bombs. In order that help may be given promptly when needed, special pickets are being maintained in some areas.

The War Office in announcing this, says that a step was already promptly taken in certain selected areas, which are being regularised and adding that the Home Guard will be employed on these fire-fighting duties at the discretion of the military commander and on the request of the local authorities.

These arrangements, however, are expected to be of temporary character, continuing only until the new fire-watching parties are complete.

ITALY RAIDED
Both Germany and Italy were raided by the R. A. F. on Saturday night, states a London message.

A small force of bombers visited Turin, while a large force of bombers attacked Wilhelmshaven.

Raids were also carried out on the Dutch and Belgian coasts, where barges were damaged and German troops drilling on the black square were machine-gunned.

For the attack on Wilhelmshaven, the British bombers were escorted by fighters.

MALTA TOLL
MALTA, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—It is announced that a total of 40 enemy aircraft were shot down in Malta to date, probably 25 destroyed with only five British fighters lost.

**WARNER BROS.
THANKED**

Lord Beaverbrook, Minister for Aircraft Production, has cabled his thanks to Warner Brothers for sending him a cheque for £6,000 for the purchase of aircraft.

The money came from the profits of the film, "London can take it," states a London message.

IN JAPAN'S INTEREST

Friendly Relations With British Empire

MR. P. C. SPENDER, AUSTRALIAN WAR MINISTER, who is now on his way back home from Egypt, where he spent Christmas with the Australian troops, in a broadcast from Singapore, expressed the hope that Japan would realise that it was in her interest to maintain friendly relations with the British Empire, states a London message.

"Australia and Singapore are linked together and are, indeed, dependent on each other," said Mr. Spender. "We have no quarrel with Japan and we in Australia hope to keep the Pacific for all time true to its name."

During his short stay in Singapore, Mr. Spender had an exchange of views with Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief of the Far East.

REFERENCE TO ITALY
A message from Australia adds that Mr. Spender made a reference to Italy.

Mr. Spender said: "The only way open to the Italian people is throw over all their leaders and seek peace with Britain. Italy's defeat is certain. It was equally certain that sooner or later that Hitler would invade Britain. When he fails, as others before him and failed, the goal would be more clearly in sight."

Referring to the Far East, Mr. Spender stated Australia's air squadrons would soon be in Singapore to watch Australia's interest. Defensive steps were being taken to make Singapore an impregnable fortress.

PAWN IN GAME
Mr. Spender was of the opinion that Germany was merely trying to use Japan as a pawn in her game, by involving her in a war with America to prevent American supplies from reaching Britain. He was confident that the British successes in Libya and the Greek successes in Albania, had not been overlooked by the Japanese.

The head of the Japanese trade delegation to Batavia is reported to have stated that, responsible

members of the Japanese Government are doing all they could to avoid war with Britain, America and the Dutch East Indies, according to another message from Australia.

The speaker admitted that Japan had certain aspirations, but stated that that could not be achieved by force and he hoped that the Netherlands East Indies would understand Japan's viewpoints.

**WORK OF ARMING
FREE FRENCH
SHIPS**

The Commander-in-Chief of the Free French Navy, Vice-Admiral Musselier, in a broadcast on Saturday night in London, said that the work of arming Free French ships was being carried out untiringly, states a London message.

The Fleet has lost two warships and four merchant ships, but for every one lost, three more were put into service. The Free French Fleet had 30 warships in operation and 80 merchant ships for carrying war material essential for the conduct of the war.

In a reference to the naval units at Alexandria, Admiral Musselier said: "Our Free French marines will soon be participating with the colonial infantry already in Libya and you will see that the Free French Fleet at Alexandria will not remain mere spectators of the British successes."

**Germany Trying To Whip
Up Enthusiasm**

WHILE GERMANY IS PONDERING AND HESITATING ABOUT MILITARY ACTION, IT IS TRYING TO WHIP UP ENTHUSIASM over the latest trade agreement with Russia, states a London message.

The new agreement is given prominence in the Press, but it does not seem to differ from the last agreement which was never fully carried out.

It may be that the Nazi leaders are trying to allay German uneasiness about United States aid to Britain and is probably a part of a campaign to strengthen the morale in Germany.

Both Field Marshal Goering and Dr. Goebbels have been making encouraging speeches.

Dr. Goebbels proclaimed a coming German offensive and stressed his statement "by the energy of his words and gesture" according to a Berlin correspondent of the Madrid newspaper.

COAL OUTPUT
Asserting that Germany would win, Goering declared that the output of coal in Germany exceeded that of any other country, German iron ore production has been doubled in the year and the output of crude oil has increased several times, compared with previous years.

**"WAR WILL MOVE TO A CLIMAX
IN NEXT FEW WEEKS"—DALTON**

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—A number of would-be blockade runners, have been trapped by the British Navy during the last few days. This was revealed by Mr. Hugh Dalton, Minister for Economic Warfare, when speaking at Bishop, Auckland, yesterday.

Mr. Dalton declared that in co-operation with the Navy and Royal Air Force he would do his best to intensify economic warfare in all its forms.

"None can doubt that in the next few months, perhaps in the next few weeks, the war will move to a climax. Herr Hitler cannot afford much longer to remain passive while his junior partner in crime is being hammered in Africa and Albania, on the seas and in the air."

"Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini must face the steadily increasing pressure of our blockade and increasing support, both moral and material, from the United States. President Roosevelt's recent addresses will inspire all lovers of liberty and defenders of right throughout the world."

SUPPLIES FOR FRANCE
Referring to Government's decision, at President Roosevelt's request, to allow certain supplies to pass through the British blockade for unoccupied France, Mr. Dalton said that there would be

Thailand Artillery Shell Battambang

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—French officials in Indo-China yesterday stated, "according to an Associated Press despatch," that Bangkok would be bombed if Thailand carried out the threat of reprisal raids.

The officials added that French reprisal raids have been carried out at points within 70 miles of Bangkok.

A French communique issued in Hanoi claimed that reinforced French troops have retaken certain fortifications in one sector of the front.

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Saturday, the 18th January, 1941.

Commencing at 11 A.M.

at the godowns of The China Navigation Co., Ltd., West Point

Ex Steamer	Arrived Date	Marks & Numbers	Pkgs. Cargo
"Kaying"	25.3.36	May M. Moore Gloucester House	2 Glass and Woodware
"Anshun"	13.4.36	N/M	5 Old Motor Parts
"Shantung"	28.7.36	U T	17 Ply Wood
"Talyuan"	20.6.37	HKONG	1 Paper Card
"Shantung"	26.11.37	CHC	5 Book
"Klungchow"	30.11.37	CHC	7 Book
"Soochow"	16.12.37	F K	1 Paper Box
"Newchang"	8.3.40	M.D. Chow	2 Woodware

(The above will be sold unless cleared in the meantime)

also

(for account of the concerned)

A QUANTITY OF MISCELLANEOUS GOODS

comprising:—

Cotton Yarn, Gypsum, Nails, Bolts and nuts, Deer Skin, Beans, Groundnut, Kernels, Wooden Ware, etc.

and

(for account of the Liquidators)

- 1 case Water fitting
- 3 tins Wood oil
- 1 drum Motor Oil

Terms: Cash on delivery
Now on view

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions

to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION

on

Monday, the 13th, January, 1941.

commencing at 11 a.m.

at their Godown, No. 2, Wood Road.

15 Reels Newsprinting Paper

8 Bales Cotton

1 Bundle Steel Bar

1 Carton Menthol Camphor

Ointment

1 Copying Machine and 106 Rolls

Paper

1 "R.C.A." Radio Set

1 "Mullard Super 7" All Wave

Radio Set

and

A QUANTITY OF OFFICE AND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

On View on Day of Sale

Terms: Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.
AUCTIONEERS.

RECREATION CLUB'S ANNUAL MEETING

The War Department Chinese Staff Recreation Club held its annual general meeting in its club house at No. 37, Hennessy Road Saturday afternoon. Mr. Chan Kwong-wah presided when the officials were elected for the year:

Chairman: Mr. Leung Oi-sang;
Hon. Treasurer: Mr. Francis Tang; Hon. Secretary: Mr. Cheung Man-ting; Committee members: Messrs. Chan Kim-cheung, Paul Zee, Yau King-sang, Ip Ming-yan, Lee Yu-kwong, John Wu.

CROWN LANDS RESUMPTION

It is notified, under section 6 of the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900, as enacted by Section 2 of the Crown Lands Resumption Amendment Ordinance, 1930, that the Board of Arbitrators, appointed to determine the amount of compensation to be paid in respect of the resumption of Lots Nos. 1678, 1679, 1680, 1681, 1682, 1683, 1684, 1685, 1686, 1687 and 1688, in Survey District II, at or near Diamond Hill, is constituted as follows:—

Mr. Thomas Stodart Whyte-Smith, Justice of the Peace, Chairman.

Mr. Andrew Nicol, M.Inst. C.E., Chartered Civil Engineer, A.M. Inst. Struct. E., nominated by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government.

Mr. Ernest Manning Hazeland, Architect, nominated by the Chairman on behalf of the former owner.

It is further notified that the Chairman hereby appoints Friday, Jan. 17, at 2.30 p.m. at the Urban Council Room, Post Office Building, Hongkong, as the time and place for the Board to commence its sittings.

Any person claiming compensation, whether as owner or otherwise, by reason of such resumption, must at least two days before the commencement of the sittings of the Board, transmit to the Colonial Secretary, for transmission to the Board, a written claim stating the nature of his right or interest in the land and the amount which he seeks to recover.

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature, yesterday was 65 and the minimum 40. Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 0.03 inches against an average of 0.29. The Royal Observatory report states:—

The anticyclone now covers the whole of China and the neighbouring seas, pressure being highest to the north of the Lower Yangtze Valley. A deep depression is moving slowly eastward to the south of Hokkaido.

C.Y. Leung, Robert Yuen, Chan Kwoon-wah, Cheung Chiu-shun and Chak Chun-kwan

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

GAMBLERS JUMP BAIL

Four persons, including a married woman, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon on Saturday with being keepers of gaming houses for use for at different addresses in the Wanchai district.

The defendants were Chan Hing, 28, married woman, keeping a gaming house at No. 32 Tai Yuen Street, first floor; Lo Yee, 35, unemployed, at 392 Lockhart Road, first floor; Leung Ngai, 40, unemployed, at 9 Shan Pin Lane, first floor; and Kan Chik-kee, at 164 Wanchai Road, first floor.

All defendants failed to appear in Court and their bail of \$75 each were ordered to be forfeited. The total sum of \$180 was picked up in all the four raids.

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AT KOWLOON

SMART POLICE WORK

In a timely raid by the Police six Chinese were arrested and charged before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett on Saturday with conspiracy with intent to rob the principal tenant of No. 68, Cheungshawan Road.

Defendants were Hui Tim, 25, Mak Lim, 25, blacksmith, Yuen Man-yip, 30, artist, Wat Shum, 25, Tam Tsun, 25, waiter, and Nat Fo, 31.

Chief Detective Inspector A. E. Carey, prosecuting, said that about noon on Friday a party of detectives led by Principal Chinese Detective Shek Tui raided a tea-house at Pelho Street and arrested the first, fourth, fifth and sixth defendants. The second accused was later arrested at Reclamation Street.

The party then made a search at No. 68, Cheungshawan Road, top floor, where the third accused resided, and found four knives and other instruments. The third defendant was arrested when he came back to the cubicle later in the evening.

It was alleged that the third defendant conspired with the others to rob the principal tenant of the house who was a returned Chinese from the United States.

The third accused, who was alleged to be the ring leader, as sentenced to six months' hard labour, first and fourth were each given four months' while the others were sentenced to three months each. All defendants are to be expelled from the Colony.

REMOVING RICE

Charged before Mr. Himsforth on Saturday with conveying 65 bags of rice in the Harbour without permission from the Food Controller, Tam Shu, 35, master of junk No. 1329V, was remanded three days.

Defendant was granted \$200 bail.

GAOL FOR RECEIVER

Noel Syvivo, 22, native of Seychelles Islands, odd job worker, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. Himsforth on Saturday for receiving stolen property.

A burglary charge, which was previously brought out against him, was withdrawn owing to lack of evidence.

The case was the sequel of a burglary at Messrs. K. Weiss Co., at No. 94, Nathan Road on Nov. 13, when five suits, eight pairs of trousers and eight overcoats were stolen.

When accused was arrested he had a pawn ticket in his possession. Defendant said that he had bought the overcoat from a Chinese whom he could not trace.

Det. Sgt. F. A. Estall prosecuted.

MARINE COURT

Captain G. Donaldson, master of the s.s. Kau Tung, was fined \$150 by Commander J. Jolly, in the Marine Court on Saturday for carrying excess passengers on Friday from Macao.

It was alleged that when the vessel arrived here there were 947 passengers, 201 in excess.

Defendant pleaded guilty.

Chief Boarding Officer, D. G. Cairns prosecuted.

H.K. VOLUNTEER ORDERS

(CONTINUED FROM SATURDAY)

Corps Order Amendment
Corps Orders No. 78/40 dated 27.12.40, Para. 9 — Strength-Increase, Pte. C. T. F. McDonald. For Corps Nos. "DR56" read "4721."

Appointments and Promotions
C.S.M. A. D. Wylie, No. 2 Coy. Res. to be Sgt., 10.1.41; Gnr. G. Dodds, 1st Bty. to be L/Bdr., 10.1.41; Cpl. C. D. N. Walker, Mob. Col. to be Sgt., 10.1.41; Cpl. N. L. White, Mob. Col. to be Sgt., 10.1.41; L/Cpl. A. F. Tocher, Mob. Col. to be Cpl., 10.1.41; L/Cpl. E. O. Murphy, Mob. Col. to be Cpl., 10.1.41; L/Cpl. E. D. Labrousse, Mob. Col. to be Cpl., 10.1.41; Pte. J. Hutchison, Mob. Col. to be L/Cpl., 10.1.41.

Leave
Sgmn. C. R. Lawrence, Corps Signals, 13.12.40-2.2.41; Pte. J. G. McKenna, Mob. Col., 1.1.41-3.1.41; Pte. A. L. Ho, No. 3 Coy., 1.1.41-3.1.41; L/Cpl. K. I. Tse, No. 4 Coy., 1.1.41-3.1.41; Pte. F. J. dos Remedios, No. 5 Coy., 1.1.41-3.1.41; Pte. E. F. Passos, No. 5 Coy., 1.1.41-2.2.41; L/Cpl. A. A. Tavares, No. 6 Coy., 3.1.41-2.2.41; Pte. E. M. Gutierrez, No. 6 Coy., 4.1.41-12.4.41; Pte. A. R. de Pinna, No. 6 Coy., 6.1.41-5.3.41; Pte. C. P. Yeung, No. 4 Coy., 6.1.41-1.2.41; Gnr. C. H. Ng, 4th Bty., 6.1.41-17.1.41; Pte. D. A. Hutchison, Mob. Col., 6.1.41-19.1.41; L/Cpl. D. R. Holmes, No. 1 Coy., 6.1.41-19.1.41; Pte. J. H. Woodier, No. 3 Coy., 7.1.41-5.2.41; Pte. K. P. Tso, No. 4 Coy., 8.1.41-28.1.41; L/Cpl. J. P. Whitham, No. 1 Coy., 17.1.41-31.1.41; 2/Lt. S. J. G. Burt, 2nd Bty., 20.1.41-2.2.41.

Strength-Increase
Pte. E. F. Veldhuisen, Mob. Col., 1.1.41; Pte. N. E. Hunter, Training Cadre, 2.1.41; Gnr. K. Lam, 3rd Bty., 6.1.41.

Strength-Increase
Pte. H. C. D. Knight, Mob. Col., 3.1.41; Pte. T. Huber, Mob. Col., 3.1.41; Sgmn. C. B. Le Patourel, Corps Signals, 6.1.41; Gnr. D. Peoples, 5th A.A. Bty., No. 3 Sect., 9.1.41-2.2.41; Pte. H. D. Bruce, Mob. Col., 31.1.41.

NOTICES
Rifle Club
(i) The shoot scheduled for Jan. 15 had been postponed to Jan. 22.
(ii) The results of the Rifle Club meeting held in conjunction with the H.K.R.A. spoon shoot at Kowloon City on Sunday, Jan. 5 are as follows: Nett Spoon Pte. L. A. Rosario, H'cap Spoon Cpl. G. A. Lomaey, H'cap Spoon Pte. L. Brezzy. Will the above prize winners please communicate with the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. N. D. Booker, c/o Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., as soon as possible. Although it was previously advised that there would be a handicap spoon for each class this has now been amended, owing to an insufficient number of competitors, to two handicap spoons, these being won by the two highest handicap scores, irrespective of class.

Billiards—Soldiers' Club Billiards Tournament
Semi-Final Round Result: H.K. V.D.C. 1288—Capt. P. P. Sequeira 115, Sgt. M. A. Baptista 151, Sgt. M. N. Rakusen 200, Sgt. J. C. Remedios 126, L/Sgt. J. D. Remedios 96, L/Cpl. A. F. Pereira 230, Pte. M. M. da Silva 200, Pte. J. F. Hickman 200, R.A.M.C. 1211—Whybry 200, Wyre 200, Howe 179, Terran 200, Harvey 200, Morris 49, Lt. Bixon 79, Webb 104. Final round will take place on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at Soldiers' Club. Match starts at 6 p.m. H.K.V.D.C. versus R.C. of Signals.

ANOTHER SHROFF ABSCONDS
A report was made to the Police on Saturday by Dodwell and Company that an employee has absconded with \$6,228 in cash and a Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation cheque for \$300.

ARGONAUTS LOSE TO ST. ANDREW'S
St. Andrew's Ladies beat the Argonauts, last year's Brawn Cup winners, by four goals to one in a friendly hockey match played at King's Park on Saturday.

Saints scored through Mrs. Zimmerman, Miss E. Church (2) and Miss J. Jex, and Argonauts through Miss M. Xavier. The half-time score was 2-0.

Y'S DEFEATED BY KHALSA
On the "Y" ground, Khalsa beat Y.M.C.A. seniors by the odd goal in five in another friendly hockey encounter on Saturday. G. Singh (2) and Narinder Singh scored for Khalsa and Morgan and Taylor for Y.M.C.A.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS
LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter).—The following are the results of Rugby League matches played yesterday:—

Batley 4, Wakefield 5; Bradford 35, Dewsbury 4; Bramley 8, Hunslet 8; Featherstone 27, Halifax 3; Huddersfield 22, York 10;

VALLEY TRAINING GALLOPS

The following times were clocked during the training gallops held at Happy Valley yesterday morning:—

Canberra*.....	1	35.1	1.10.2	1.44	2.13.3			29.3
Harcossay*.....	1	41	1.19	1.52.1	2.20			27.4
Vanguard.....	1	36	1.09	1.40.1	2.10.3			30.2
Manhattan*.....	1	43	1.18	1.50	2.18.4			28.4
Corvette.....	1	39	1.17	1.56	2.31.3			35.3
Snow White.....	1	36	1.08.1	1.38.2	2.06			27.3
Anzac Day*.....	1	43	1.20	1.52				33
Riverside.....	1	36	1.08.1	1.38.3	2.07.2			28.4
Dutch Treaty & Wayworth†.....	14	43	1.18.2	1.51.4	2.23.2	2.56		32.3
Sports Lady† & Dashing Beauty†.....	1	39	1.12	1.44	2.14			30
Baggage Master†.....	1	40	1.12.1	1.43.1	2.14			30.4
Ophir†.....	1	36.4	1.11.3	1.44.3	2.13.4			29.1
Distant View*.....	14	34	1.06	1.39	2.07.2	2.35.2		28
National Welfare†.....	1	23.3	1.03.3	1.36.2	2.06.1			29.4
Dignitast & Trade Wind†.....	1	37.2	1.10.2	1.42.2	2.11.4			29.2
Strathalbyn†.....	1	38	1.12	1.45.3	2.15			29.2
Prairie View*.....	1	31.2	1.02	1.31.1	2.00			28.4
Princess Adelaide†.....	14	34	1.04	1.37	2.07.2	2.38		30.3
Look See†.....	1	31.3	1.04	1.34	2.04.2			30.2
Pigtail†.....	1	33.2	1.04.2	1.35	2.05.1			30.1
National Courage*.....	1	31.2	1.06	1.41	2.10.2			29.2
Graceful View*.....	1	36	1.11	1.44.3	2.13.3			29.2
Blue Gown† & Crack Shot†.....	14	38	1.10	1.41	2.14	2.47		33
Wonderful Show†.....	1	42	1.17.3	1.51	2.19.4			28.4
Corsair† & Tobacco Ship†.....	1	33.1	1.03.3	1.33	2.02			31
Endeavour†.....	1	41	1.16	1.52	2.27.2	3.02	3.33	29
Fresh Air†.....	1	45	1.20.3	1.56.3	2.25.3			29
Bendemeer†.....	14	32.3	1.06.4	1.40	2.11	2.39		28
The Koala Bear†.....	1	35.2	1.08.1	1.38.3	2.08.1			29.3
Mountain View* & Misty View*.....	1	36	1.09.1	1.39	2.08			29
United Express†.....	1	38.2	1.12.1	1.44.1	2.12.3			28.2
Maple Leaf†.....	1	34.2	1.07	1.35.4				28.4
Bugle†.....	1	41	1.20	1.53.3	2.28			30.2
Archber†.....	1	34	1.07.4	1.39	2.07.3			28.3
Sydney Diamond†.....	14	43	1.22	2.00	2.37	3.12.1	3.42	29.1
Macy†.....	1	37	1.14	1.48	2.17			31.4
Starlight View†.....	1	33	1.05	1.35	2.04			29
Silver Spear†.....	1	40	1.12.3	1.44.4	2.14			33.1
Amusement Tax*.....	14	44.2	1.25.2	2.05	2.42.2	3.16.3	3.46	29.2
Arniebert.....	1	36	1.07	1.41	2.13	2.43.2		30.2
Royal Sovereign†.....	1	33.2	1.03	1.33.3	2.03.2			29.4
War Tax† & Green Diamond*.....	14	40	1.19	1.58	2.32.3	3.05		32.2
Casino† & Araxy II†.....	1	35	1.11	1.45	2.15			30
Man O'War†.....	1	39.2	1.11	1.39.2				28.2
JANUARY 10								
Hole In One†.....	1	32	1.03.4	1.35.2	2.05			29.3
Newborn Start.....	1	37	1.11.2	1.44.3	2.18			31.2
The Nineteenth Hole*.....	1	32	1.03.3	1.33.4	2.02.3			28.4
Jungle Lovet.....	14	49.2	1.36	2.17.2	2.54	3.23.2		28.2
Miss Chalfont*.....	14	44	1.23	1.59.3	2.37	3.08.2		31.2
Twinkling Start.....	1	35.3	1.09	1.40.2	2.16			29.3
Senorita†.....	1	32	1.04.2	1.34	2.05			31
Colooma*.....	1	30.1	59.1	1.28.4	1.59.2			30.3
Buckfastlight.....	1	39	1.16	1.48	2.18			30
Gold Rod†.....	14	41.2	1.19	1.54.1	2.27	2.58		31
Castle Hill† & Seal River†.....	14	35.2	1.09.2	1.44.1	2.16.3	2.45.3		29
Swallow†.....	14	33	1.07.3	1.41	2.12.2	2.41		28.3
Tropical Love*.....	14	36.4	1.10	1.41.4	2.13	2.42.2		29.2
First Love.....	14	36.4	1.10	1.41.2	2.12	2.39.3		27.2
* Denotes Griffins and † Denotes Sub-Griffins.								

NEW GERMAN-SOVIET TRADE AGREEMENT

LONDON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—GERMANY'S AMBITIOUS TRADE AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA, BY WHICH SHE HOPES TO RECEIVE LARGE AMOUNTS OF GRAIN AND OIL in return for machinery and other manufactured products, was commented on with reserve by competent quarters yesterday as the text of the agreement has not yet been received.

The provisions of the new agreement do not appear greatly to differ from the last agreement of the kind.

Both are based on the barter principle, and while Russia would seem to be the fortunate possessor of exportable surpluses of grain and oil, especially lubricants, it is not thought that hitherto Germany has received very large quantities of these products.

Actual deliveries of Russian products may be governed by Germany's ability to deliver articles required by Russia, and another weighty factor in the practical outcome of this agreement is transport.

Inability of the railways and other transport to handle large additional amounts of traffic may slow down considerable exchanges of products.

ECONOMIC PROPAGANDA

As there does not appear to be anything essentially new in the latest agreement it is thought rather surprising that the German authorities have laid so much emphasis on it, unless it be for purposes of economic propaganda in order to produce a rosier atmosphere as a set-off to America's promise of unlimited supplies

of war materials for Britain and her allies.

While America could aid Britain, even to the extent of sending warships, the sending of Soviet grain to Germany was alleged to be a breach of neutrality declared by a Moscow radio announcer yesterday, commenting on the new Soviet trade agreement with the Reich.

He added: "It is high time to understand that the Soviet pursues its own policy and will continue to pursue it independently of what may be said in either the eastern or western hemisphere."

GERMAN VERSION

A new agreement has been signed between Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia, it is announced in Berlin.

It includes a frontier agreement, settles questions which arose over the Russian occupation of the Baltic countries and provides for the exchange of goods up to August, 1942.

According to Berlin, it also includes "an ambitious programme for the delivery of raw materials,

U.S. United On War Problems

New York.—A striking degree of national unity on some of the most difficult questions immediately facing the nation has already been achieved in the short time since election day, a nation-wide survey by the American Institute of Public Opinion has revealed, according to Dr. George Gallup, its director.

"In interviews with men and women in every State of the Union and in all walks of life during recent weeks the Institute has tested United States attitudes on most of the vital issues of the day," he reported yesterday. "These include conscription, taxes-for-defence, war and peace and numerous other issues."

"Today this much is clear for the world to read: Despite sharp differences over domestic policies and candidates during the campaign itself, there is surprisingly little difference among American voters on the questions of national defence and foreign policy."

POLICY INDICATED

"Take the question of increased aid to Britain. Both President Roosevelt and Wendell Willkie indicated their policy would be to increase this aid by almost every means short of intervention in the war itself. Where do the people stand?"

"To answer this question the Institute put the following question to American voters in the closing days of the campaign: 'If it appears that England will be defeated by Germany and Italy unless the United States supplies her with more food and war materials, would you be in favour of giving more help to England?' Here, reported for the first time, are the survey replies:

Yes 90%

No 10%

"Only one voter in seventeen (6 per cent.) said he was undecided on the question. (So that 84.6 per cent. of all those questioned favoured added aid.) Ninety-two per cent. of the Democrats said they would favour increased help to Britain in order to prevent a British defeat. Eighty-seven per cent. of the Republicans in the survey answered the same way.

"Even on a sectional basis the sentiment for increased aid to Britain, if necessary to stave off a British defeat, appears to be everywhere overwhelming:

Yes No

New England and 92% 8%

Mid-Atlantic 92% 8%

U.S. RED CROSS DISTRIBUTES \$12,399,505 FOR WAR RELIEF

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The American Red Cross war relief summary, showing \$12,399,505 distributed to war-torn Europe, disclosed today:

That since June the Red Cross has sent no relief supplies to France. Food and clothing sent on the mercy ship McKeessport early that month before France's collapse have been distributed, however.

That at least 100,000 families have been "bombed out" of their homes on the British Isles.

That a shipment of badly needed medicines and clothing is now en route over the Burma road to China.

PENNIES SAVED

That more than \$1,000,000 of supplies has been extended to Finland because of "continuation of grave need for food and clothing."

That American children saved \$70,000 worth of pennies, which have built 35 children's air raid shelters in England. The Oct. 18 report to the Red Cross here said: "An air raid warning was sounded and the children (at Cromwell House orphanage in south-east London) were taken to a shelter only a matter of seconds before a high explosive bomb made a direct hit on the building, totally destroying it."

URGENT APPEAL

That, on an urgent appeal from the British Red Cross, 1,000 stoves have been sent to England for cooking and heating in air raid shelters. Another 6,000 cooking and heating stoves have already been purchased here.

That cotton rompers, dresses, bibs, nightgowns, pajamas, bathrobes, woollen sweaters, knit suits, overcoats, snow suits, and caps are urgently needed for 200,000 children, ranging from infants to 5-year-olds.

That 200,000 hot water bottles are needed for persons made ill in air raid shelters.

INQUIRY AND INFORMATION
That the American Red Cross maintains an inquiry and information service through which 56,672

"LOOFAH" INDUSTRY IN MALAYA HAS BEEN NEGLECTED

The 'loofah' plant, the fruit of which may be improvised as the loofah sponge for the bathroom, is very common in Malaya: it can be seen growing in many districts around Singapore.

A typical specimen of this plant is to be seen in Meyer Road, Katong, opposite the Katong golf course, where it grows in profusion for a distance of about 20 yards.

This plant is of the creeper variety and in appearance it is similar to the cucumber. The leaves are quite large, and in some cases are as big as an average cabbage leaf, writes L.S.D. in the Malaya Tribune.

The flowers, which precede the 'loofah' fruit, are yellow and have five petals, and the fruit, when fully grown, resembles a small marrow. The plant is non-seasonal, and fruit is obtained from it all the year round.

There are two kinds of loofah plant grown in this country. One variety bears fruit which has deep ridges on the outside, while the fruit of the other variety is smooth.

The 'loofah' creeper does not actually belong to Malaya, as it is of foreign origin, the term 'ketola' being a general word used by the Malays for most kinds of creeping gourds that are to be found in this country. Another example of the use of this word is 'ketola ular', or the 'snake gourd' which is also fairly common here.

The loofah sponge for the bathroom is obtained from the smooth type of fruit, as the fibrous centre of the gourd is formed in honeycomb fashion. To extract the

loofah, for household use, the green outside skin of the fruit is peeled off leaving the fibres clear. In the centre of the fibres, there are hundreds of large black seeds, which may be planted again. No special treatment is necessary to make the loofah usable in the bathroom, as it is ready for the toilet in its natural state.

SURVEYS
"Successive surveys have shown majorities as high as 9 to 1 in favour of enlarging the Army, Navy, and air forces."

"This Summer the Institute found that 76 per cent. of the voters said they would be willing to pay special extra taxes for national defence purposes."

"By nearly 3 to 1 the voters have gone on record in favour of a selected programme for peace-time conscription."

"The Institute found majorities of nearly 9 to 1 in favour of taking up arms, if necessary, to prevent an Axis attack upon Canada or upon the Latin American territories in the vicinity of the Panama Canal."

"As of today, every available evidence from the public opinion surveys shows the American people strongly united on the major issues presented by the war."

MALAYAN VARIETY

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HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	SATURDAY 11 JAN.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
				H.K. Bank				\$1380
				Do. (Col. Reg.)				282
				Do. (Lon. Reg.)				2784
				Chartered Bank				283
				Mercantile Bks. "A"				227
				Mercantile Bks. "C"				2104
\$75				Bank of East Asia	\$75			
				N. C. & S. Bank				12 ch.
				Insurance				
\$205				Canton Insurance				\$203
\$405				Union Insurance	\$405			
				Underwriters				80 ch.
\$165				H.K. Fire				\$160
				Shipping				
				Douglases				\$135
				Steamboats				\$11
				Indo-China (Pref.)				\$100
				Indo-China (Def.)				\$80
				Shells				45/7
				Waterboats				\$7
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
\$34				H.K. & K. Wharves				\$34
				Providents				\$5.80
				H.K. Docks (Old)				\$18.60
				H.K. Docks (New)				\$18
				Shanghai Docks				\$34
				Mining				
				16/3 Kailans				16/3
				891 Raubs				\$7
				14 cts. Hong Kong Mines				
				Lands, Hotels and Buildings				
				H.K. & S. Hotels				\$34
				H.K. Lands				\$34
				Do. 4% Debentures				\$100
				Shanghai Lands				\$13
				H.K. Realities				\$3.85
				Humphreys				\$7.95
				Chinese Estates				
				Cotton Mills				
				Ewo (S.)				\$44
				Shai Cottons (S.)				\$195
				Zong Sings (S.)				
				Wing On Textiles (S.)				\$125
				Public Utilities				
\$17.85	\$17.95	\$17.90		H.K. Tramways	\$17	\$17.90		
				Peak Trams (old)				\$7.40
				Peak Trams (new)				\$3
\$81				Star Ferries				\$3
\$24				China Lights (New)	X.R.	\$6.25		
				H.K. Electric (Old)				\$40
				H.K. Electric (New)				\$38.85
				Macao Electric (Old)				
				Macao Electric (New)				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				\$25
				Telephones (new)				\$10
				S'pore Tractions (Ord.)				
				Industrials				
				Cald. Macg. (Ord.) 8				
				Cald. Macg. (Pref.) 8				
				Canton Ice				75 cts.
				Cements				\$18
				H.K. Ropes				\$8
				1% Loan				\$8
				3 1/2% (1924)				\$94
				3 1/2% (1940)				
				Miscellaneous				
\$19.10				Dairy Farms	\$19.10			
\$7				Entertainments				\$7
\$1.60				Constructions (old)				\$1.65
				Constructions (new)				\$7
				Lane Crawford				\$3
				Nanyang Tobacco				\$2.20
				Sincere				\$11.25
				Walsous				35%
				Ch. G.S. 1925 G.S.Bds				\$39
				H.K. Wing On				\$14
				Vibro Piling				\$8
				Marsums Inv. (Lon.)				
				Marsums Inv. (H.K.)				
				Wm. Powells				\$1.90
				China Lights (Rights)	97 1/2	C.	1/80C	
				+Sale to Shanghai				

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

JANUARY 11, 1941.

On London:	—
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credit 4 months' sight	
On Shanghai:	—
On demand	41 1/2
On Singapore:	—
On demand	52 3/4
On Japan:	—
On demand	102 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 1/2	
and demand	82 1/2
On New York:	—
Bank Bills, on demand 23 3/8	
Credit, 60 days' sight 24 1/8	
On Batavia:	—
On demand	43 3/4
On Paris:	—
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.	
Credit 4 months' sight Nom.	
On Saigon:	—
On demand	101 1/2
On Manila:	—
On demand	46 3/4
On Bangkok:	—
On demand	149
On Sterling Notes:	—
Bank Buying Rate	Nom.
Bar Silver per oz.	23 5/16

Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

January 11.
Silver prices dropped 1/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 23 5/16 for Ready and 23 1/4 for Forward. Silver prices reported the market as being dull. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.
The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 403 3/4.

MARKET

Stagnant.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/3 for Cash and 1/23 1/32 for February-June, buyers at 1/31 3/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

No business was reported. There were sellers throughout the day at 23 3/4 for Cash, buyers bidding 23 13/16 Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Some business was arranged at 428 1/4. Closed with sellers at 427 1/2, buyers at 428 1/4.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling at 3 1/2 and U.S. Dollars at 5 9/16, both sellers for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Jan. 11 (Reuter).

Official T.T. Rates	
	Opening
London	0/3-1/16
New York	5-7/16
Japan	23-1/8
India	19
Paris	nominal
Hongkong	22-7/8
Sterling	
	Opening
Spot	0/3-1/2
Jan.	0/3-3/4
Feb.	0/3-3/4
U.S. Dollars	
	Opening
Spot	\$5-17/32
Jan.	\$5-17/32
Feb.	\$5-1/2
Market:	Quiet.
Silver Duty Rate	
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d	
The Equalisation rate was 23 1/2 per cent.	

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Jan. 11 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Jan. 11 (Reuter).
Govt. 3 1/2 Rupee, 94-02-0.

SILVER MARKET
BOMBAY SILVER
Bombay, Jan. 11 (Reuter).
Indian Mint Silver
Ready 82-03
Jan. 22 Settlement 82-02
Feb. 22 Settlement 82-02

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE
London, Jan. 10 (Reuter).
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £257-1/8.
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £258-7/8.
Market steady.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Jan. 11, 1941.

	High	Low	Close	Change
New York Cotton, March	10.60	10.51	10.58	0.03 off
New York Rubber, March	20.09	20.08	20.08	0.02 off
Chicago Wheat, May	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	1.00 off
Chicago Corn, May	62 1/2	62 1/2	62 1/2	1/4 off
New York Hides, March	13.63	13.55	13.62	13.51B

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK COTTON			
January	10.49 N	10.50A	0.03 off
March	10.58/58	10.59/59	0.03 off
May	10.58/58	10.60/60	0.03 off
July	10.47/47	10.49/49	0.01 up
October	9.99/99	9.99/99	0.04 off
December	9.95/95	9.95/95	0.03 off

Total sales Friday—100,800 bales.

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK RUBBER			
March	20.08/08	20.09/08	0.02 off
May	19.97B	19.93B/20.00A	0.04 off
July (New contract)	19.80B	unquoted	0.04 off
September	19.94 N	unquoted	0.04 off

Total sales—90 tons.

	Open	Close	Change
CHICAGO WHEAT			
May	87 1/2	87 1/2	0.01 off
July	82 1/2	82 1/2	0.01 off
September	83 1/2	83 1/2	0.01 off

Friday's sales—Unrecovered.

	Open	Close	Change
CHICAGO CORN			
May	62 1/2	62 1/2	0.01 off
July	62 1/2	62 1/2	0.01 off
September	62 1/2	62 1/2	0.01 off

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK HIDES			
March	13.62B	13.61/60	0.11 off
June	13.35/35	13.30/30	0.09 off

Total sales for the day—29 lots.

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK COCOA			
March	5.05/05	5.05/05	0.02 off
May	5.11/11	5.09B	0.10 off

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 3			
March	2.00B/01A	—	—
May	2.05B/08A	—	—

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK SUGAR NO. 4			
March	74 1/2	74 1/2	1/4 up
May	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/4 up

Volume of business done—32 lots.

	Open	Close	Change
NEW YORK COPPER FUTURES			
March	11.00B	10.98B/11.00A	0.15 up
July	11.05B/10A	11.00B/10A	0.08 up
N.Y. Official Silver	34-3/4	—	—
NY-London Cross Rate	4.03-3/4	—	—

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Jan. 10.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

War Loan, 3 1/2 (Red, after 1952)	103-5/16
Defence Loan, 3 1/2	101
London & Lancashire, 5 1/2	13
Chinese 4 1/2 Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	44
Chinese 5 1/2 Gold Bonds, 1925/47	42-47
Chin. 4 1/2 Anglo-French Loan, 1908	45
Chinese 5 1/2 Crisp Loan, 1912	26 1/2
Chinese 5 1/2 Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Iss.)	34
Chinese 8 1/2 Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	10
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5 1/2	47
Loan	17
Hongkong Rly. 5 1/2, 1911 (L.P. N.Y. Issue)	15
Hongkong Rly. 5 1/2, 1911 (German Issue)	13
Lung Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5 1/2, 1913	14
Shanghai-Nanking Rly. 5 1/2	16
Shanghai-Pukow Rly. 5 1/2 (Brit. Stpd.)	15
Shanghai-Pukow Rly. 5 1/2 (German Stpd.)	15
Shanghai-Pukow Rly. 5 1/2 (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	15
Shanghai-Pukow Rly. 5 1/2 (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan)	15
Jap. 6 1/2 Ster. Loan, 1924	30 1/2
Jap. 7 1/2 Intl. Loan, 1924	5 1/2
Chartered Bank	84
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	78 1/2
H.K. & S'hai Bank (Col. Reg.)	82
Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer)	16 3/4
Johnson Corporation	4 1/2
Mercantile Bank of India, £5, "G"	10 1/2
Pekin Syndicate	2 1/2
S'hai Elec. Constr. Co.	15 1/2
S'hai Waterworks "A"	13 1/2
Union Insurance	20
Gula Kalumpung Rubber	15 7/8
Ldn., Mid. & Scot. Rly.	15 1/2

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

January 11.

The market continued very quiet.

Buyers	
Canton Ins., \$205.	
Union Ins., \$405.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$165.	
Wharves, \$94.	
Trams, \$17.85.	
Star Frerles, \$61.	
Yaumaiti Ferries, \$24.25.	
Ropes, \$8.	
Dairy Farms, \$19.10.	
Entertainments, \$7.	
Constructions (Old), \$1.60.	
Sellers	
Lights Rts., 95 cts.	
Electric, \$40.40.	
Cements, \$18.60.	
Watsons, \$11.40.	
Vibro Piling, \$7.70.	
Sales	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2 Loan (1939), 94.	
Trams, \$17.90.	
Lights X Rts., \$5.25.	
Lights Rts., 90 cts.	

The total value is \$8,575.60.
Govt. Loans 3 1/2, \$1,000 at 94 1/2

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Saturday, Jan. 11, 1941.

	SALES
China Light Rights	66 \$ 35
Lane Crawfords	70 7.50

The total value is \$8,575.60.
Govt. Loans 3 1/2, \$1,000 at 94 1/2

Grat Western Rly.	36 1/2
National Bank of India	32
B-A Tob (bearer)	88/9
Dunlop Rubber	33 1/2
Bristol Aeroplane	9/9
Imperial Chemical Ind.	36 1/2
United Steel	22/3
Woolworths	53 7/8
Maraman Investments	7/8
Western Holdings	11
Sub-Nigel	155
Shell Trans & Trad (bearer)	45 7/8
*-bid. *-ex. div.	

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

JANUARY 12, 1941.

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
Jan. 11	Jan. 11	Jan. 11	Jan. 11
Adams Express	7 1/2	Loew's Inc.	33 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	24	Loft Incorporated	18 1/2
Allis Chalmers	35 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	32 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	73 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	30 1/2
Amer. Can.	94 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	24 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	37	Montgomery Ward	39
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2	Mt. Airy City Copper Co.	3 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Pwr. pf.	18 1/2	National Aviation	10 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	16 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	14 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	19 1/2	National Distillers	24 1/2
Amer. Radiator	7 1/2	National Lead	17 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	15	Nat. Flower & Light	7 1/2
Amer. Sugar & Refining Co.	44 1/2	National Supply Corp.	6 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	15 1/2	New York Central	14 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	167 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	3 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	74 1/2	N. American Aviation	17
Amer. Waterworks	7 1/2	North American Co.	17
Amesbury	26 1/2	Northern Pacific	7 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	21 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	48 1/2
Aviation Corp.	5 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	28 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	17 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	4 1/2	Pan-American Airways	15
Barber Asphalt Co.	10	Paramount Pictures	12
Barnsdall Oil	9 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	24
Bendix Aviation	35 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	1 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	88	Phillips Petroleum	39 1/2
Bliss & Co.	18 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	29 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	17 1/2	Pullman Inc.	26 1/2
Borg-Warner	19 1/2	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	24 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	42
Budd Manufacturing Corp.	5	Reading Company, Com	14 1/2
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	3 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	5 1/2
Case, J.I.	57	Republic Aviation Corp.	4 1/2
Celanese	28 1/2	Republic Steel	21 1/2
Celspan & Ohio	44	Revere Corp.	10 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	70 1/2	Reynolds Tobacco "B"	34
Columbia Gas & Elec.	44 1/2	Safeway Stores	44 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	30 1/2	Schenley Distillers	11 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	13/16	Sears Roebuck	78
Consolidated Edison	23	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Consolidated Oil	6	Socomey-Vacuum Oil	9
Continental Can	39 1/2	Southern Pacific	9 1/2
Continental Oil	20	Southern Rly. \$5 pfd.	22 1/2
Copperweld Steel	18 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	37 1/2
Curtis Wright (C.)	9 1/2	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Curtis Wright "A"	28 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	14 1/2
Deere & Co.	22 1/2	Standard Oil of California	20 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	18	Standard Oil of N.J.	36 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	78	Stone & Webster	84
Du Pont de Nemours	162 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	84
Eagle Picher Lead	101 1/2	Swift International	18 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	36 1/2	Technicolor	94 1/2
Elec. Autolite	33 1/2	Texas Corp.	39 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	44	Texas Gulf Sulphur	37 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pfd.	56 1/2	Timken-Axle	33 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pfd.	65 1/2	Trans-America Co.	54
Elec. Power & Light \$7 pfd.	34 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	7 1/2
Flintkote	14 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	12 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	55	Union Carbide & Carbon	70 1/2
Gen. Electric	34 1/2	Union Pacific	85 1/2
Gen. Motors	104	United Aircraft	49 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	48	United Airlines Trans.	16 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12 1/2	United Corp.	1 1/2
Gillette Co.	14 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	29 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	144	United Gas Corp.	1 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pfd.	64 1/2	United Gas Improvement	1 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	19 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	28
Great Northern Iron Ore	15 1/2	U.S. Rubber	23 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	27 1/2	U.S. Rubber \$3 pfd.	93 1/2
Great Western Sugar	21 1/2	U.S. Smelting	64 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	11 1/2	U.S. Steel	68 1/2
Heracles Powder Co.	76 1/2	Vanadium	32 1/2
Homestake Mining	51 1/2	Vulcan Aircraft	8 1/2
Int. Nickel	26 1/2	Walworth Co.	6 1/2
Int. Paper & Power	14 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	3 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	2 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	104 1/2
Johnson	23	Woodward Iron Cor.	33
Kennecott Copper	36	Chase National Bank	33 1/2
Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	44	National City Bank	28 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	27 1/2		

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1940			Jan. 12, 1941.			
High	Low	Jones Averages	Jan. 10,	High	Low	Change
162.80	154.24	Industrials	123.65	123.16	122.49	10.47
32.67	32.16	Rails	29.53	29.80	29.59	29.65 .08 off
29.45	18.03	Utilities	20.55	20.80	20.50	20.53 .02 off
91.87	83.08	Bonds	91.87		91.95	.08 up
64.07	64.87	Commodity Index	57.82		57.54	28. off
Business Done:—360,000 shares						

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BURMA TRADE MISSION TO CHUNGKING

RANGOON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—It was understood in Rangoon yesterday that the Burma Government will shortly send a mission to Chungking at the invitation of the Chinese Government.

As a result of world conditions created by the war numerous problems have arisen affecting trade and communications between Burma and China, and in order to secure a more ready solution of these problems by personal contact and discussion, the Burma Government is sending a mission, with the approval of the British Government.

The mission will be composed of Mr. H. G. Craw, Counsellor to the Governor.

Mr. U. Ba Than, Commerce Minister.

Mr. D. B. Petch, Commerce Secretary, and

Mr. J. F. H. Nicolson, Chief Public Works Officer of the Federated Shan States.

Mr. Petch will act as secretary to the mission.

Important Canton Conference

CANTON, Jan. 12 (Reuter)—Vice-Admiral Yorio Sawamoto, Commander of the Japanese Fleet in South China, who has been inspecting the Canton district, yesterday held an important conference with Lt.-Gen. Jun Ushiroku, Commander of the Japanese Army in South China. Vice-Admiral Sawamoto also interviewed several Chinese leaders.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory
10 a.m., Dec. 12.
Barometer (at sea level), 30.03 ins.
Temperature, 62 F.
Humidity, 92 per cent.
Wind Direction, E/N.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.
Temperature: Maximum yesterday 68 F.
Temperature: minimum last night 61 F.
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 0.01 ins.
Total rainfall since January 1st, 0.03 ins.
Against an average of 0.29 ins.
Sunset tonight, 5.58 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 7.06 a.m.
4 p.m., Jan. 12.
Barometer (at sea level), 29.99 ins.
Temperature, 60 F.
Humidity, 94 per cent.
Wind Direction, N.E.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 1.
Maximum temperature, 65 F.
Minimum temperature, 60 F.
Rainfall, 0.22 ins.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 13 to 19 Jan. 1941.

Days of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	13	10.11	4.5	03.41	0.8
		20.57	7.9	14.29	3.1
Tues.	14	10.44	4.8	04.17	0.5
		21.39	8.1	15.13	3.0
Wed.	15	11.20	4.7	04.53	0.4
		22.23	8.0	15.54	3.0
Thur.	16	11.58	4.9	05.32	0.5
		23.07	7.8	16.37	2.9
Fri.	17	12.37	5.1	06.11	0.7
		23.58	7.2	17.28	3.0
Sat.	18	13.24	5.2	06.48	1.2
		09.43	6.4	07.27	1.6
Sun.	19	14.12	6.4	08.29	2.2

Kwangtung Progressing In Reconstruction

Despite the continuance of the war and in face of seemingly insurmountable difficulties, much progress was made in reconstruction in Kwangtung last year, according to information from the Provincial Government quarters.

Agriculturally, efforts were concentrated on striving for self-sufficiency in food supply. To increase production, three measures were adopted, namely, extensive use of superior-quality seeds, expansion of cultivation in winter, and encouragement of reclamation of undeveloped land.

Promotion of afforestation, improvement of water conservancy works, and prevention of plague to cattle were also included in the agricultural promotion project.

In industry, the Provincial Government has established a number of factories for the manufacture of daily necessities, including a machine works, an electric battery manufactory, a soap factory and an absorbent cotton factory. Among those projected are a cotton weaving and spinning mill, an alcohol distillery, and a match factory.

In mining enterprises, special attention has been given to the increase of production of gold, tin, wolfram and antimony for which Kwangtung has been noted.

MINING WORKS

On the one hand, efforts were made for the resumption of operation of the provincial mining

works, while on the other, private mining enterprises were encouraged. Mining experts have been engaged to assist in the development of the industry. Prospecting of new mines was also encouraged.

In communication, the province has three inter-provincial highways, namely, Kwangtung-Kwangsi, Kwangtung-Hunan and Kwangtung-Kiangsi lines. Repairs were effected to the highways destroyed for military reasons, while new ones were being built.

The co-operative movement has been making big strides. At present, Kwangtung has a total of 1,423 co-operatives scattered in widespread parts of the province, of which 1,339 are credit co-operatives, 64 producers' co-operatives, one consumers' co-operative, one distributors' co-operative and several other kinds of co-operatives.—(Central News)

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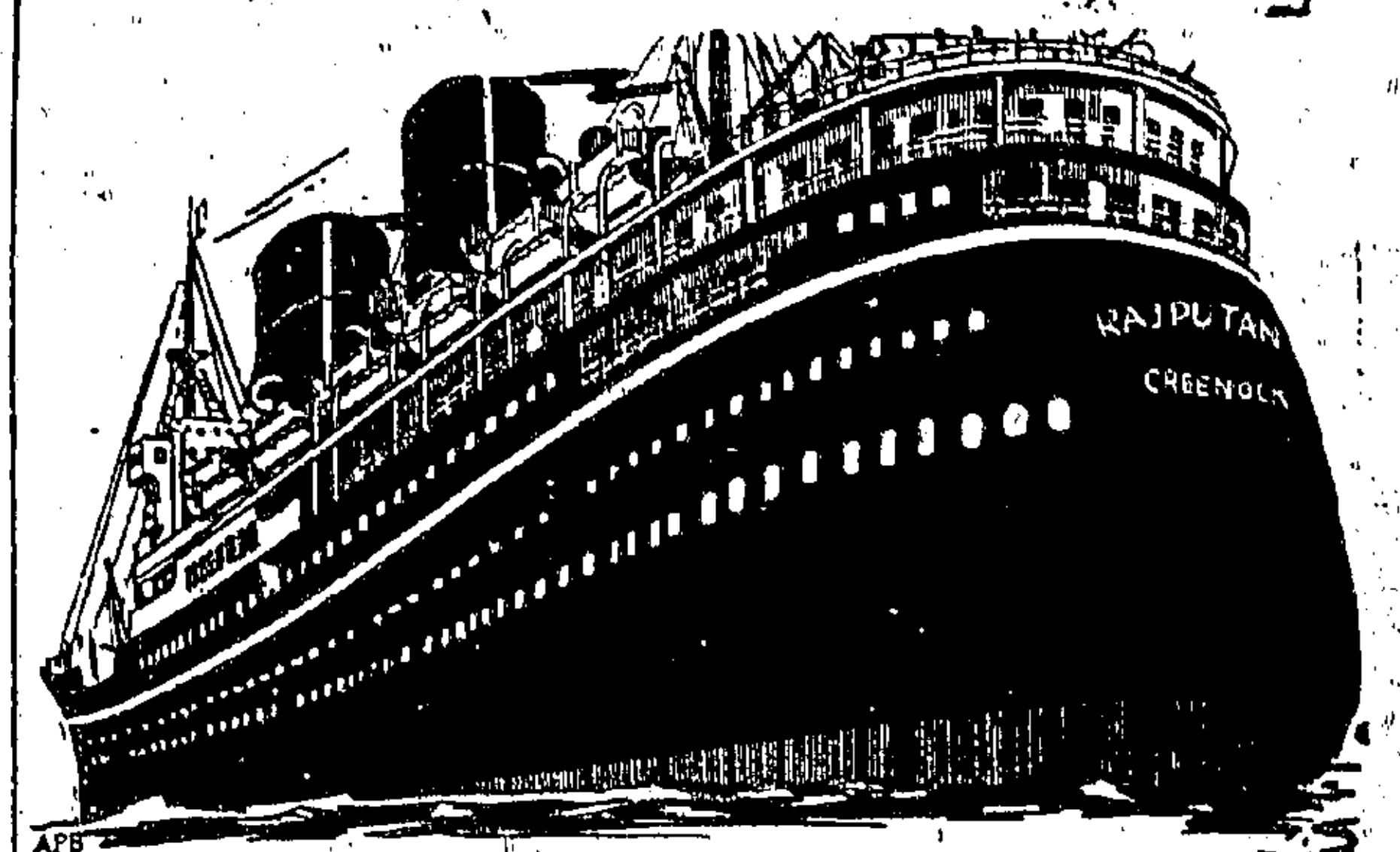
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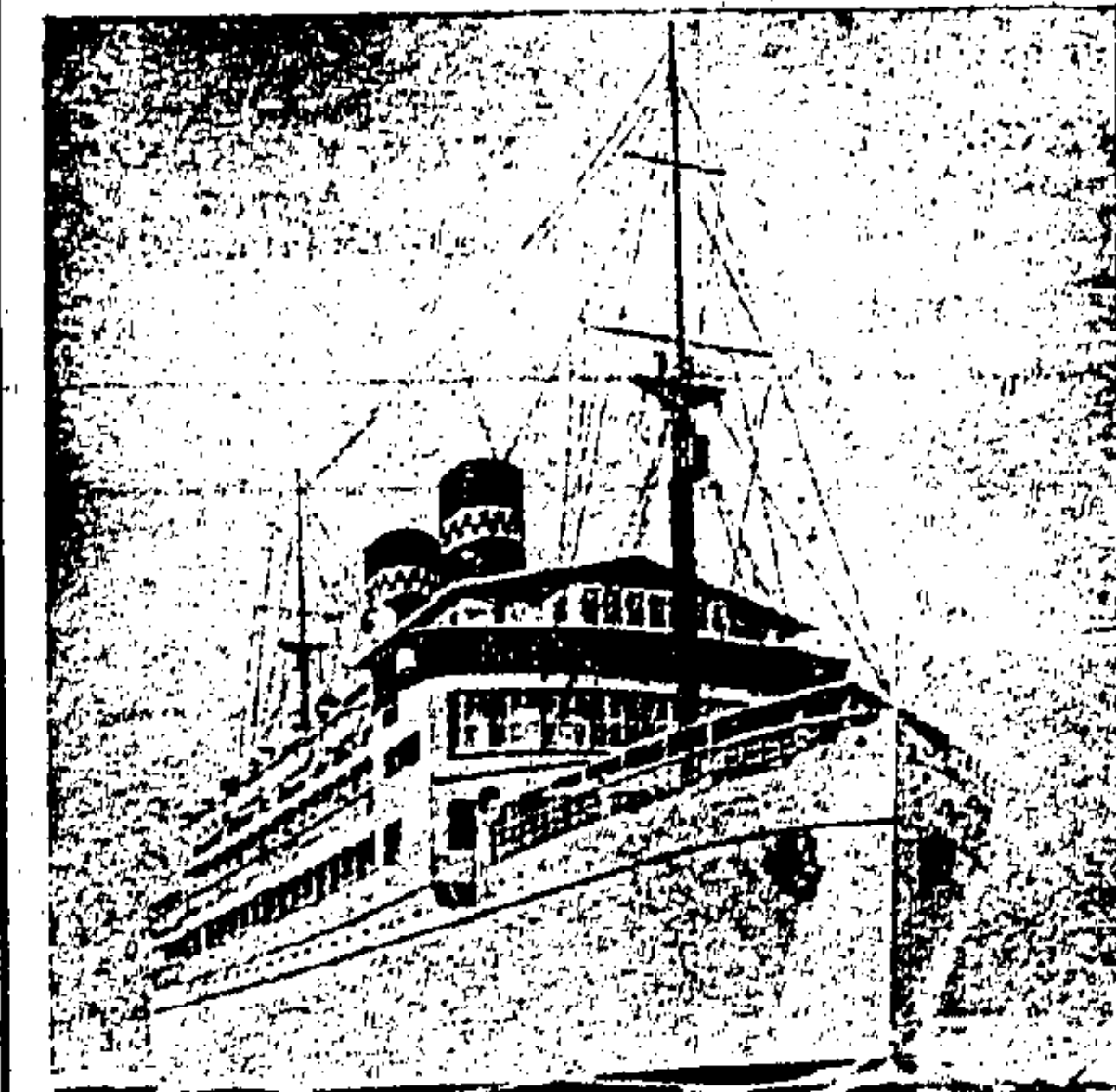
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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damage dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th January, 1941, at 9 a.m. by Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

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EXAMINATION OF MASTERS AND MATES

Regulations relating to the examination of masters and mates during the present period of war were published in the Government Gazette on Saturday.

These regulations, which may be cited as The Examinations of Masters and Mates Amendment Regulations, 1941, amend the rules relating to the examination of masters and mates laid down by the Governor in Council under section 4 (8) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, by the insertion of the following:

18A. Penalties for failure (temporary provisions).—Notwithstanding the provisions of rule 18, a candidate who has failed twice in the written or the oral portion of the examination for any grade of certificate, or in both, may be re-examined at the next or any subsequent examination held for his grade but in the case of a third or any subsequent failure in the written or the oral portion of an examination, or in both, an interval of one month must elapse from the date of the last failure before a candidate can be re-examined.

LENGTH OF SEA SERVICE

62A. Sea service (temporary provisions).—(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of rules 29, 78 and 77, a candidate who has served three years at sea in foreign-going ships or the equivalent, four years and six months in home trade ships, may be examined for the second mate's certificate. (These periods of service will be subject to a further reduction in accordance with the provisions of rules 78 and 79, but no candidate will be admitted to the examination for the second mate's certificate until he has served at least two years and nine months at sea.)

Any candidate who succeeds in passing the afore-mentioned examination before he has completed the sea service normally required under the existing rules will receive a temporary certificate of competency of the appropriate grade which he may exchange for the ordinary certificate of competency when he has completed the normal period of service; but service performed by a candidate between the date on which he received a temporary certificate and the date on which he became entitled to receive the ordinary certificate will not count toward the period of watch-keeping service required for any certificate of higher grade.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of rules 47 and 69, a candidate, who has been prevented by the exigencies of war from taking the examination for the first mate's certificate at the earliest date at which he was qualified to do so will be allowed to count any watch-keeping service which he has performed when a second mate's certificate after that date as qualifying service for the master's certificate (foreign-going).

FOR GOVT. CLERKS

A competitive examination for appointments of Probationer Clerks (male) in Government service will be held in King's College on February 8, commencing at 9 a.m., when all candidates will be examined in English dictation and General Knowledge, and on February 13 when only those who have passed in dictation and general knowledge will be examined in Arithmetic, Composition, Translation from English to Chinese and from Chinese to English.

A list of index numbers of candidates who have passed the dictation and general knowledge tests will be posted at noon on February 11 at King's College, the General Post Office (Hongkong and Kowloon) and the Colonial Secretariat.

The examination will be limited to persons in possession of a Hongkong School Certificate or other certificate of a recognised examining body accepted by the Director of Education as equivalent. For this purpose certificates issued by Headmasters will not be accepted.

Intending candidates must forward to the Colonial Secretary's Office in envelopes clearly marked "J.C.S. Examination" on or before January 30, a copy of their school certificate together with a certificate as to character, and education from the Headmaster of their last school, and one unmounted photograph on the back of which should be written the candidate's name, address and date of birth.

COMDR. WOODRUFF TELLS OF—

BRITISH NAVY'S PART IN CAPTURE OF BARDIA

"The Royal Navy's part in the Libyan campaign has been possible because the Mediterranean Fleet first secured moral ascendancy in what was known as Italy's sea and managed to reduce the enemy superiority in battle-ships to equal numbers," said LIEUT.-COMDR. THOMAS WOODRUFF, well-known naval commentator, when he broadcast from London yesterday on the share which the navy took in the capture of Bardia.

"Apart from the actual operations," said Commander Woodruff, "the navy in Libya has been doing something really astonishing. It has been operating in a sea where the enemy has its own dockyards, arsenals and bases."

SIGNIFICANT FACT

"Ammunition and stores for our fleet, therefore, had to be sent out all the way from this country over a distance of 3,000 miles or more. And yet it has been possible for our Fleet to have steamed up and down the enemy coast at will, without meeting any opposition from the Italians."

"This is the most significant fact of the naval war in the Mediterranean and is a striking example of the value of sea-power."

Comdr. Woodruff went on to compare what had happened at Dunkirk with the fate which overtook the Italians in Bardia. At Dunkirk, he said, British surface craft had made trip after trip to the port and when the port became unusable for heavy ships, motor boats, yachts and pleasure boats had all taken part in the work, which resulted in 300,000 men and more being rescued.

NO ESCAPE BY SEA

"At Bardia, practically no Italians escaped by sea," said Comdr. Woodruff. "In fact, the sea, which should have been of assistance to the enemy, was not used at all. The Italians were hemmed in on all sides by a resolute force on land; they were bombed continuously from the air and they must have looked longingly seawards for help from their own navy. And in the meantime, they were being pounded by the 15-inch guns of our Mediterranean Fleet."

"The Italian soldiers at Bardia must have felt very bitter about the conduct of their navy."

"Bardia itself is not much of a port and a ship of any size has to lie off and use its own boats and lighters to transport troops and stores. In spite of this, our ships relieved the burden on the army by embarking many prisoners."

SPECIAL SHIPS

Comdr. Woodruff went on to say that for the operations in Bardia ships specially built for such operations played an important part. They were the monitor Terror and the gunboat Ladybird.

That type of ship had protected the Suez Canal in the last war and the Ladybird and vessels of that type were later used for work on the Yangtse in China. They were not meant for work in open sea, but in the action at Bardia they had contended not only with the enemy, but with the elements.

They were extremely useful in in-shore work and carried two 6-inch guns and the Lady Bird had a near-miss from a bomb.

"We expected at least a couple of attacks from the Italian Fleet," said Comdr. Woodruff, "but during all this time the Italian Fleet kept in their harbour."

Comdr. Woodruff went to give a technical description of a naval bombardment and pointed out almost the entire ship's company knew nothing of what was

taking place as they were all below decks and saw little of the action, with the exception of the anti-aircraft gun crews.

CHIEF SEA STRUGGLE

"In spite of this successful action in the Mediterranean, the chief struggle of the naval war remains far out on the Atlantic," said Comdr. Woodruff, who concluded his talk with a few comments on the reduced sinkings of merchant ships during the past week.

"It is too early yet to say that we have succeeded in beating the submarine. Only when sinkings have been reduced over a long period, can we say that we have reduced the methods of the submarine."

"In winter a submarine has a much harder time and one reason for the reduced sinkings may be the bad weather. In the last war the Germans had to send their submarines by the north of Scotland. Now the journey has been considerably lessened and more submarines can operate in one area."

"In spite of that, the time will come when we will get the full measure of this menace. Thus the men of the Royal Navy are doing their part and as important a part as their comrades of the Mediterranean Fleet out in the Mediterranean."

DESTRUCTION OF HOSPITAL

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bomb which fell on the central building and exploded.

IMMEDIATE COLLAPSE

The greater part of the building at once collapsed, burying a great number of persons, including the Rev. Mother, under the debris, while hundreds of the people crowding the enclosure were injured by the explosion or struck by pieces of masonry.

No further attack was made on the hospital, and rescue parties immediately set to work to help the wounded and dig out the dead bodies. Between killed and wounded the casualties were estimated at 400 to 500. It has been impossible to estimate correctly the number of the dead, for bodies are being still taken from the wreckage. The force of the explosion can be estimated from the fact that bodies were thrown up on top of the neighbouring church and other buildings.

After digging for a long time among the ruins the body of Rev. Mother Biff was found. She was evidently killed by the falling masonry. Two other Sisters were wounded. One was badly injured in the head and her condition is considered serious; the other received only slight injuries.

Rev. Mother Biff had been working in Kwangtung for over thirty years and had never returned to Europe. She supervised the building of the hospital and was in it ever since its erection. Her devotion to the sick poor was famous in the town, while the courage which she displayed during the numerous raids had aroused admiration and surprise among all who witnessed it.

COMPLETELY LOST

As far as can be judged, the main part of the building is destroyed and practically all the medical and surgical supplies are completely lost. A doctor is gone to survey the position and report, and essential supplies have also been sent.

Bishop Valtorta has sent instructions that in view of the great number of wounded persons that must be in the city, the external department is to be continued even if it is not possible to re-establish the wards at once, and that if necessary the church is to be used to succour the wounded.

In view of the hospital's long immunity from attack and the assurance that it would not be damaged it is thought that the attack must have been unintentional or carried out by some pilot in mistake for some other building. The Protestant hospital in Wanchow was bombed early in the war but the attack was afterwards admitted by the Japanese to have been accidental and compensation was paid.

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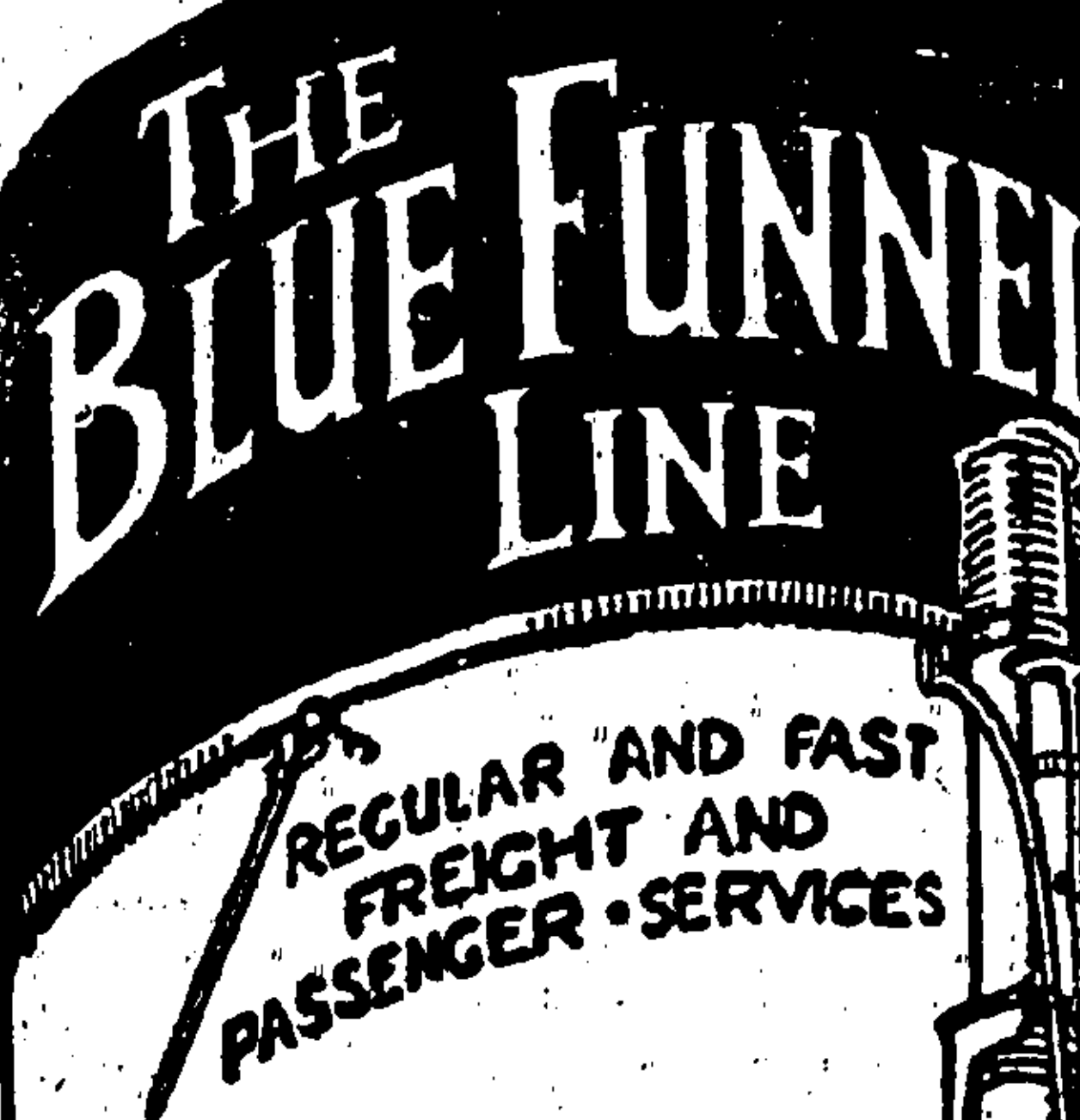
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